



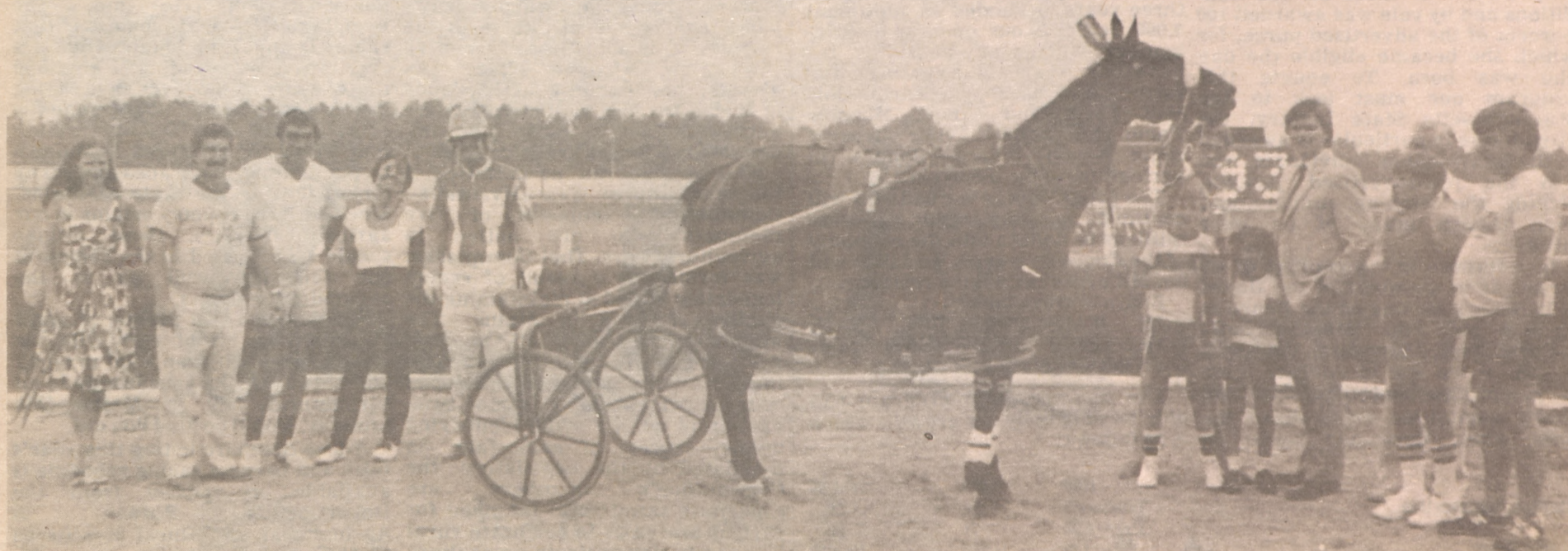
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Stabilizer is greeted in the Scarborough Downs winners circle by Eric Moynihan, track manager, and owner Alan Armstrong with a host of well-wishers, after a mile in 1:59.3 for talented driver, Tom McInnis.

STABILIZER TOPS IN DIRIGO PACE AT DOWNS

Stabilizer, a regally-bred five-year old son of B.G.'s Bunny, over a two-race losing streak at Scarborough Downs on July Fourth, while post the State of Maine curcuits fastest mile of the year in the Dirigo Pace. With H. (Art) MacInnis catch-driving in the absence of Walter Case Jr., Stabilizer made every pole a winning one while stopping the Teletimer in 1:59.3 for owners Alan and Gary Armstrong of Windham, New Hampshire.

Leaving from the advantageous Number One post-position, MacInnis had Stabilizer flying early, while wheeling past the first-quarter mile marker in a blazing 28.3. He showed little letup while easing past the half in 59.3. With Ensign O'Brien and

Broadway Premier making their moves along the outside the field began to tighten-up past three-quarters in 1:30.2. The best the competition could do was get within a length of the winner in mid-stretch, with the eventual winner again drawing out in the late strides for the impressive Invitational Class win.

Governors Pace winner Broadway Premier rallied for the placing, with "first-over" Ensign O'Brien hanging on for the third-place money in the \$6,000 event. The remainder of the closely grouped field included Big Hugh, Most Happy Rod, Slyde By, and Armbro Blaze, with Outer Sea a late scratch at Post Time. Stabilizer returned \$3.80,

\$2.80, and \$2.60 across as the pre-race favorite of the large Holiday crowd at the Downs.

The co-featured pacing event of the day, a Maine Standardbred Breeders Stakes test for two-year-old Colts and Geldings saw Anne and Donald Ledbury's impressive Fireglow Blackbyrd battle back right on the wire to gain his first Stakes win of the '84-campaign. The son of Skipper Knox had been on the shelf following a swift 2:03.4 win on June 8th. "Blackbyrd" gave up the lead past seven-eighths, but proved his mettle while rallying back to the lead along the rail for driver Arthur Nason in the \$3,686 test. Trusty Wise Guy and Gaelic Admiral completed the race in the money finishers in the

2:06.4 mile. By LLOYD JOHNSON

Other top-class winners in recent weeks have included Big Hugh (two in a row), Best Chris (2:00.2), Bright Light, and the newest star on the rise, Robert Levi's Eustis.

The Downs current harness-racing season will continue through September 22nd, with the Tuesday through Saturday night programs getting underway at 7:30 p.m., and the popular Sunday afternoon sessions starting promptly at 1:30 p.m. Scarborough's Late Closing Stakes program will take center-stage during July, with the Showplace and Vacationland programs continuing throughout the remainder of the month.

IMPORTANT DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

July 18 — Maine Breeders Stakes — Bangor Raceway
July 19 — Maine Breeders Stakes — Bangor Raceway
July 20 — Maine Breeders Stakes — Bangor Raceway
July 21 — New Hampshire "All-Star Pace \$6,000 Hinsdale Raceway.
July 22 — Mass. Sire Stakes — Groton Fairgrounds
July 25 — Maine Breeders Stakes — Bangor Raceway
July 26 — Maine Breeders Stakes — Bangor Raceway
July 27 — Maine Breeders Stakes — Bangor Raceway
July 27 — New Hampshire Stakes — Hinsdale Raceway
July 28 — New Hampshire Stakes — Hinsdale Raceway
Aug. 3 — New Hampshire Stakes — Hinsdale Raceway
Aug. 4 — New Hampshire Stakes — Hinsdale Raceway

Aug. 5 — Mass. Sire Stakes — Plainville, Mass.
Aug. 6 — "Trusty Dream Pace" — Northern Maine Fair
Aug. 7 — "Big League Star" Pace — Northern Maine Fair
Aug. 10 — "George Allen" Pace — Northern Maine Fair
Aug. 11 — Mid-Summer Classic — Scarborough Downs
Aug. 12 — New Hampshire Sweepstakes Gold Cup — \$28,000 — Hinsdale Raceway
Aug. 18 — Massachusetts Standardbred Sale — K.C. Farm, Milton, Mass.
Aug. 19 — Mass. Sire Stakes — Sharlu Farm — Leverett, Mass.
Aug. 19 — Cianchette Stables Dispersal Sale, Pittsfield, Me.
Aug. 19 — Maine Breeders Picnic — Chinbro Farm — Pittsfield, Me.
Aug. 26 — Mass. Sire Stakes — Marshfield Fair
Aug. 26 — Invitational Trot — The Legislator — Scarborough Downs

Letters To The Editor:

The Massachusetts Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association, Inc. is a non-profit organization of horse loving investors, who mostly for love and rarely for profit, are involved with the industry.

In order for a colt or filly to participate in the Massachusetts Sire's Stakes program, the horse must meet the rules and regulations of the Department of Food and Agriculture, and the United States Trotting Association, the governing body of Harness Racing.

At the start of the fair racing season, "Crane Hill Ilisa," was the only trotter to meet all the conditions and by rule was awarded 100 percent of the advertised purse, for which she became eligible the day she was born. To equate this program one must look to the Massachusetts State Lottery, the Megabucks in particular is awarded to the individual or individuals, who win the pre-advertised jackpot, picking the winning combination, even though many of us were eligible.

In reference to the conflict of interest, as to members of the Board of Directors serving on the Board of MSBOA and the Massachusetts Standardbred Breeders Advisory Board: if we are in conflict, then every professional licensing advisory committee must share the same guilt. Horsemen serve on

horse breeding boards, plumbers serve on plumbing boards, and doctors serve on hospital boards, etc., because who is better capable to advise and police their own profession. It should be noted that most, if not all advisory boards are non-paying positions.

Since the increase from a flat \$100,000 to the present \$400,000 program, which is generated by ½ of 1 percent of the mutuel handle at Foxboro Raceway, the BETTING PUBLIC and not the average taxpayer funds the program. The program's success over the past three years has added an additional 3,000 acres to our open spaces inventory, without any subsidies. We have only to look at the new breeding farms, such as Sharlu Farm, Saw Mill Farm and Young Meadow Farm, the latter having invested some seven million dollars in agriculture in the past year.

The program has worked and will continue to grow and generate millions of dollars into the economy of the Common wealth, and thus will benefit every tax paying resident.

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1984 Fair Season Starts In July

By STEWART N. SMITH

July is the kick-off month for the fair season in the State of Maine, and I expect 1984 will provide another very strong and successful series of agricultural fairs. The energy and dedication of the hundreds of volunteers who organize and administer agricultural fairs in Maine is impressive.

I would encourage everyone to plan to visit one or more Maine fairs this summer. The season starts with the Ossipee Valley Fair July 12-15, and ends with the Fryeburg Fair in October. There will be a total of 24 fairs in Maine, plus the Eastern States Exposition, which draws participants from all states in the region and is sometimes known as the "New England Fair." As always, they will provide thousands of Maine citizens and tourists with a variety of events, exhibitions and demonstrations of rural living skills.

This year marks the initiation of the Agricultural Fair Evaluation Commission, composed of five members who are active in agricultural fairs. That Commission was formed as a result of recent legislation aimed at maintaining the quality of fairs in Maine. The members will visit all licensed agricultural fairs and evaluate them, using carefully developed criteria which allow some comparison of quality while identifying unique aspects of each fair. As mandated by the Legislature, the Commission's members are especially sensitive to the need for agricultural fairs to celebrate rural life and to demonstrate agriculture and agricultural activity to fairgoers. Although there are many

purposes to Maine's fairs, certainly the agricultural aspect is central and must remain an integral part of any licensed fair.

Several of our fairs have participated in harness racing. Indeed, harness racing grew out of the agricultural fair tradition here in the State of Maine and it is still an important part of the fair scene for many. Under another recently approved law, one of the five members of the state's Harness Racing Commission is specifically named by the Legislature to represent the interests of agricultural fairs. That is not surprising to me. The Legislature, too, recognizes that racing is important to fairs and fairs are important to racing. I also feel the Legislature believes that racing at those fairs should not become too commercialized. Quality commercial racing is offered at Maine's larger commercial tracks and many others outside the State of Maine. Since we have country origins in our agricultural fairs, those origins should be reflected in the racing at our fairs as well as in the agricultural exhibits.

Whether you like racing, or want to explore a bit of rural life, or whether your children want to enjoy the midways, take your family to an agricultural fair in Maine this summer. You'll be glad you did.

A free brochure listing this year's fairs and harness racing schedule is available on request from the Department's Bureau of Agricultural and Rural Resources (State House Station No. 28, Augusta, ME 04333, telephone (207)289-3511).

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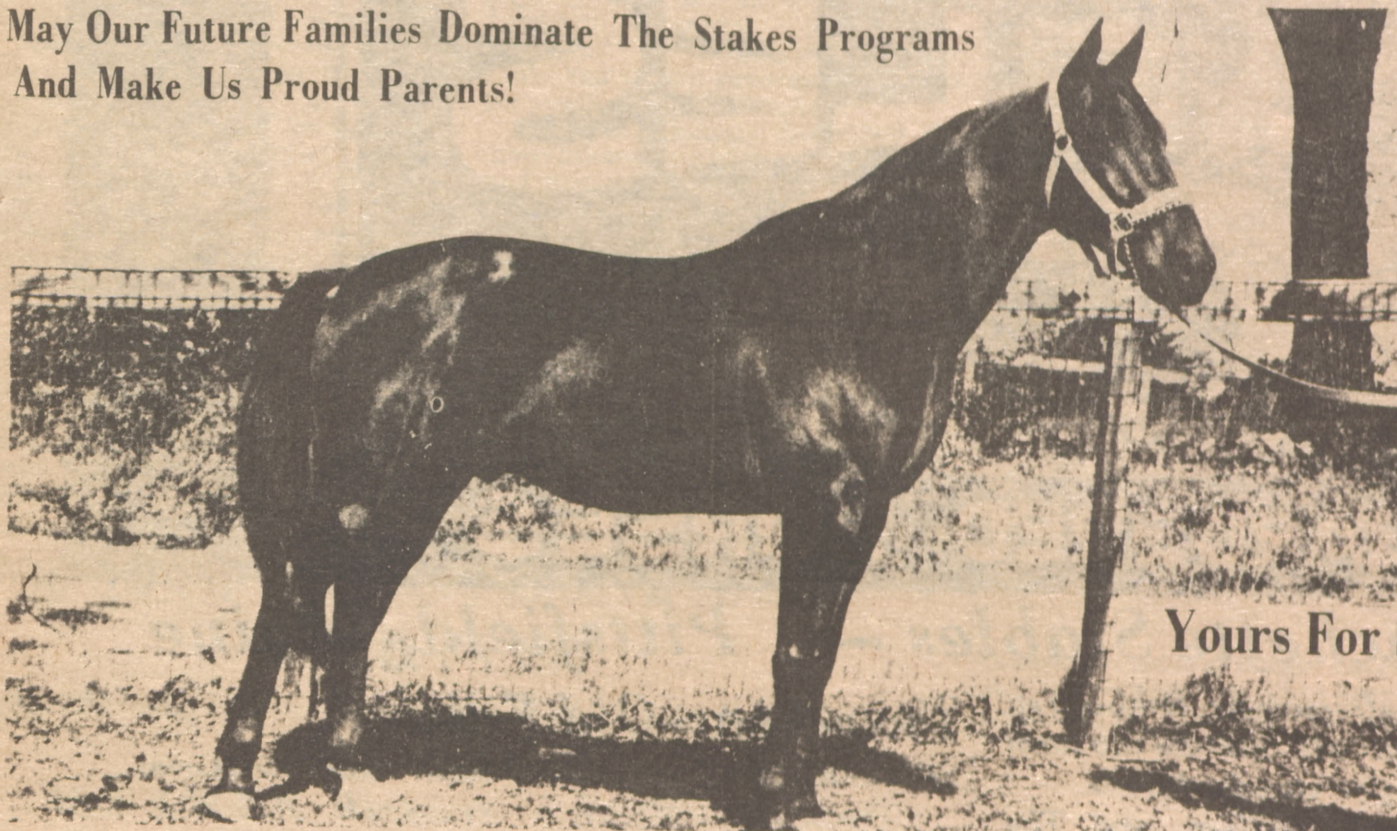
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NOTICE! Cianchette Stables — Pittsfield, Maine

Cianchette Stables will be leased, effective September 1st, to Dr. Timothy C. Powers, DVM, who will operate the farm for breeding, boarding and caring for standardbreds.

Skipper Knox, the premier pacing stallion, and The Fireball, a young, promising trotting stallion, will continue to stand at stud. It is expected that Dr. Powers will also stand additional stallions for the 1985 breeding season.

There will be an auction held at the farm on August 19th at 2:00 p.m., where broodmares in foal to Skipper Knox and to The Fireball, in addition to a two-year-old and yearlings and weanlings by Skipper Knox and The Fireball will be sold to the highest bidder.

Broodmares To Be Sold In Foal To SKIPPER KNOX

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JENNIE CAN DANCE; 1978; Black; Dutchman - Little Shrimp
LIN MAR SALLY; 1974; Bay; Fine Time - Sara Song

Yearlings

B.J. SKIPPER; C; Bay; Skipper Knox - Barbi Jan
CHINBRO KNOX BELLE; F; Black; Skipper Knox - Steady Belle
CHINBRO KNOX BREN; F; Bay; Skipper Knox - Chinbro Brenda
CHINBRO KNOX DM; C; Brown; Skipper Knox - Debbyette Moraka
CHINBRO KNOX FLO; F; Bay; Skipper Knox - Chinbro Flo
CHINBRO KNOX GEM; F; Bay; Skipper Knox - J. M. Gem
CHINBRO KNOX IMP; C; Bay; Skipper Knox - Stonegate Imp
CHINBRO KNOX QUEST; C; Bay; Skipper Knox - Questina Mark

Two-Year-Old Filly

SKIPPER COUNT; 1982; Bay; Skipper Knox - First Count

Weanlings

CHINBRO BONI; F; Bay; Skipper Knox - Chinbro Brenda
CHINBRO FANNOX; C; Bay; Skipper Knox - Fannie Mae Byrd
CHINBRO HAI BALL; C; Bay; The Fireball - Haisdan Song
CHINBRO SIS FIRE; F; Brown; The Fireball - Sis Anette
CHINBRO SKIPTOLOU; F; Black; Skipper Knox - Lou Can Tang
SKIP SALLY; F; Bay; Skipper Knox - Lin Mar Sally

This is an opportunity for new owners, as well as others to get involved in the Maine racing scene, particularly the lucrative Maine Sires Stakes and the New England Sulfur Championships.

Dr. Powers has agreed to make arrangements with the new owners to care for the animals at the farm until such time as they are ready to be broken and trained. This is an excellent chance for them to be grown and raised properly.

Catalogues will be available prior to the sale by writing to Cianchette Stables, 5 Franklin Street, Pittsfield, Maine 04967. All horses will be shown on Saturday, August 18th from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the farm and from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. on the morning of the sale. Coffee and doughnuts will be available to prospective buyers during the morning of the sale. The auction will be conducted by R. I. Crosman, auctioneer.

The Maine Standardbred Breeders & Owners Association Annual Meeting and Chicken Barbecue will be held at the farm, also, on August 19th.

President Norton has announced that the business meeting will start at 11:00 a.m., followed by refreshments at 11:45 a.m., and the chicken barbecue will be served commencing at 12:15 p.m., compliments of Cianchette Stables. We encourage all members to attend and anyone who becomes a member of the MSBOA prior to the barbecue

With the appointment of Tom Kerrigan, Lewiston businessman, to the Maine Race Commission the transition period from a three to a five member body continues.

Kerrigan was recommended 11-0 by the joint Agriculture Committee. There was no opposition, and several speakers rose to detail Kerrigan's experience and abilities.

For more than six years the same three men: Dr. Joseph Kenneally, Ed Anderson, and George McHale, regulated the sport. When Kenneally and Anderson resigned Charles Moreshed and now Tom Kerrigan were appointed. Two more commissioners are expected to be named in August bringing the body to full strength.

Though Kerrigan has never owned, trained, driven a horse, or worked as a racing official he has extended experience as a mutuel clerk and has been a fan of the sport throughout his lifetime. A win photo from Pompano Park hangs in his office. Kerrigan regards this ap-

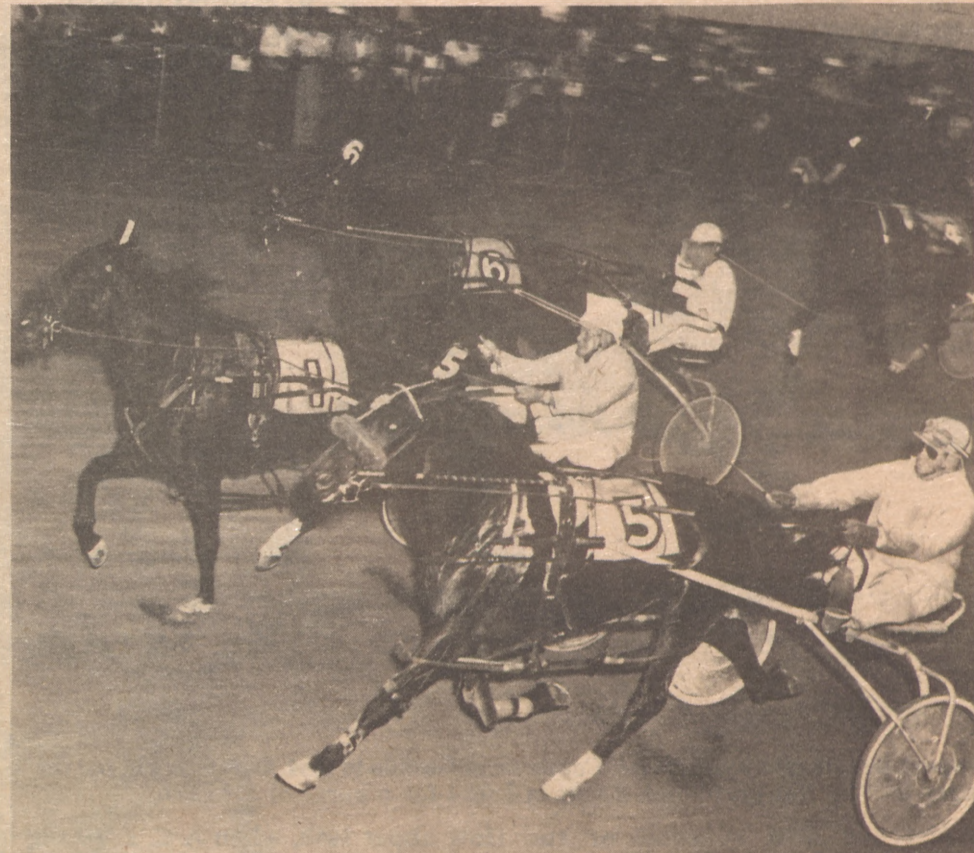
pointment as fulfilling a civic duty, and believes "This geographical area is ripe for representation. I have no connections and am completely non biased and can make logical decisions," he said.

Kerrigan owns Wade and Dunton, Inc. and has worked there for nearly forty years. He is a prominent Lewiston sports personality, President of Martindale County Club, and ardent promoter of sports for youth, including hockey.

Kerrigan willingly described the innovations instituted in his business and said in parallel "This (racing) is an industry which involves thousands of people. It is no different from lumber or tourism, there is still room for growth."

Kerrigan admitted, "I may need advice for lack of racing experience, but I can make decisions."

If confirmed by the Maine Senate, Kerrigan will be the first commissioner from Androscoggin county since Vincent LeBlanc served more than 15 years ago.



Competitive miles at Bangor Raceway's successful meet produced a dead heat on July 11th between Pine River Rose and Sunny Family in 2:08. Bass Park will soon be hosting the enjoyable "Downeast" Bangor Fair.

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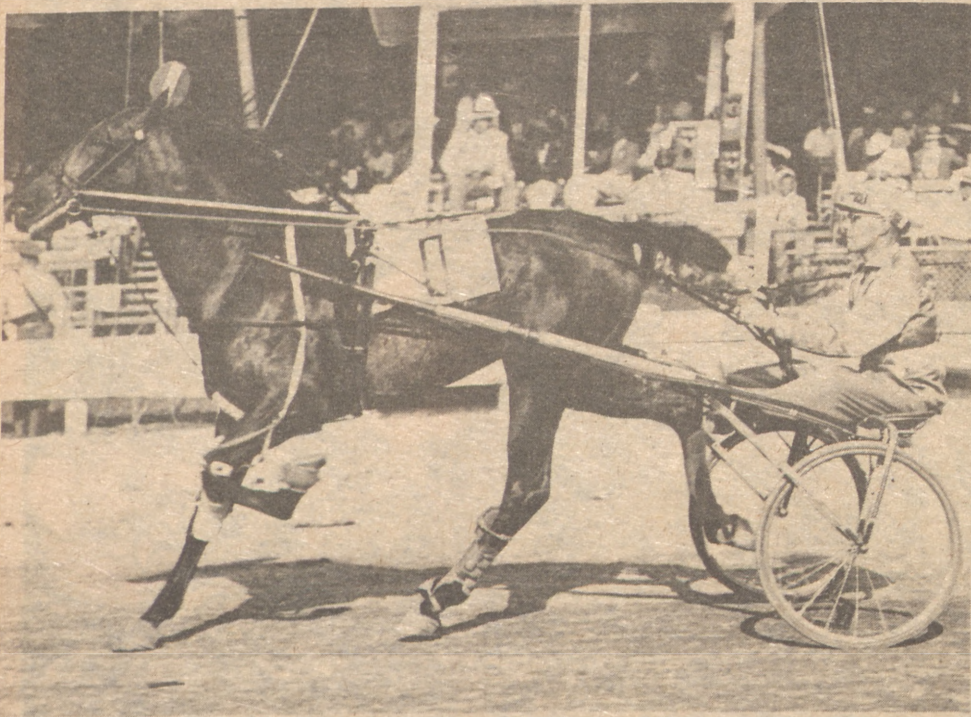
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"Hambo" Memories

By ROBERT LOWELL



Newport Dream and youthful Del Cameron at Goshen in 1954. Cameron piloted the winner for the Newport Stock Farm in 2:02.4 for a purse of \$106,000.

When the 1984 renewal of the Hambletonian goes to the post August 4th at the Meadowlands in East Rutherford, New Jersey, the winners share of the \$1,000,000 purse will be a by-product.

The jubilation will come from not cashing the check, but winning the most prestigious event harness racing has to offer. Of the literally

thousands of people involved in all facets of the sport, it's a distinction that few achieve. The sweet saver of conquest is reserved for only the best.

Named for the sports's founding sire, the Hambletonian is rich in tradition as well as purses. First raced in 1926, for a purse of \$73,000, Guy McKinney captured the honors reined by Nat Ray. Over the years, the winning horses and drivers read like a "who's who" of racing. In the early days of the race, the drivers who dominated were Berry, Parrshall, Thomas and Egan. In more recent seasons, it has been the Simpsons, Houghton and Dancers who have reined supreme.

There have been some great sentimental moments in the Hambletonian and it's been the story behind the story that made it great.

How about 1962, when A.C.'s Viking captured the classic with Sanders Russell in the sulky. The gentleman from Alabama had his leg in a cast, but guided the great colt to a 1:59 and fraction victory.

A decade before in 1952, an aging trainer Bi Shively, in the twilight of his career took the honors with Sharp Note.

In 1936, Rosalind won the classic for Ben White whose son had been stricken with T.B. Speaking of sentiment, just last season Stanley Dancer won it with Duenna following the tragic death of his great colt, Dancer's Crown.

Then there was Burgomeister in 1980 for driver Billy Houghton after his son Peter died in a car accident. While the race has been moved from Goshen, N.Y. to DuQuoin, Ill., and now to New Jersey. The Hambletonian has its roots deep in tradition.

Like life itself, along with the tears, there has been joy. Many times, the Hambletonian has been a case of triumph over tragedy. Its been the heart of those involved that has made it a great race. The Hambletonian hasn't made the champions.... The champions have made the Hambletonian.

the champions come from opposite sides of the tracks. Pacers and trotters, like oil and ater, don't mix.

Way back in Dan Patch's day — 1903 — the drumbeaters talked up a match between Dan, the record holding pacer, and Lou Dillon, the big gun of the trotting world. All talk, no dice.

Then again in 1938 the signal fires began smoking about a match race between Greyhound and Billy Direct, the trotter and pacing champions who set their records on succeeding days at Lexington that autumn. NNothing came out of it. Again, just talk.

At least, in those days, horsemen talked about such competition. Since then, however, that talk of matching opposite gaits on a racetrack is not exactly unthinkable — you simply don't think about it. But if it should happen, chances are the trotting horse wouldn't stand a chance. His pacing counterpart, historically, is just too fast.

The laterally gaited horse — that's the pacer — was the first to reach

The "Duke" Of Oil-Howard, That Is!

By SHERRY SKRAMSTAD

Following in the tradition of a long line of exciting race callers at Monticello Raceway, Howard Oil joins the likes of Red Wildy, Max Brewer, Lou Krongold and Kerry Glantz as track announcer at Monticello this season. In his fourth year as a professional, Howard has called the races at Scarborough Downs in Maine and at Foxboro Raceway in Massachusetts. He also served as assistant race secretary and assistant public relations manager at Foxboro.

The transplanted Brooklynite, dubbed "The Duke" by John Manzi (public relations manager at Monticello), believes himself to have been the youngest race track announcer, ever, when he began his career at age 23. A protege of Bob Meyer (the voice of Yonkers Raceway) the "Duke" has tried to emulate Meyer's style. He likes to alert the betting public of particularly fast quarters in a race by raised inflections in his voice so the crowd will know something special is going on.

This lends excitement to a race and distinguishes the call from just the information of which horse is where on the track. Oil says "I also like to give baseball scores and other sports updates to patrons at the track."

Howard began his career by attending Roosevelt and Yonkers Raceways as a teenager. First he would "practice" by calling the replays of each race as they were shown on closed circuit T.V. at those tracks. Then he began calling races prior to their being contested by reading from the program. Beginning with the post parade, he would call his "mock" race by predicting how the race will go. Crowds would gather to hear his predicted outcome and many would flock to the betting windows to purchase tickets on the horse he called to be the winner. All this attention resulted in Howard being interviewed by Stan Bergstein and Spencer Ross on a segment of their OTB racing show. He also had an article written about him in Hoofbeats magazine in 1979.

Lou Barrish, director of Publicity at Roosevelt Raceway, helped Howard by letting him call the qualifying races at that track. At

that time Oil worked for the I.R.S. and would call in sick in order to call the qualifiers at Roosevelt. Then a friend told him about an ad for a track announcer that he had seen. Not content to send his resume to a post office box number, Oil found out the name of the track (it happened to be Scarborough Downs) and called Lloyd Johnson, the general manager, and told him that he was the best man for the job. Johnson asked him to send a tape of one of his calls so that he could review it. Without ever having called a pari-mutuel race, Howard taped a mock race in his room, complete with post parade, and sent it off to Maine. Not only did Johnson like the tape, but when he told the owner of the track (who happened to be a former New Yorker) that Oil was from Brooklyn, Howard was hired for the job.



HOWARD OIL

Although the "Duke" liked traveling to different tracks and thoroughly enjoys the sport of harness racing and its varied aspects in different parts of the country, he is glad to be close to home at Monticello. He feels that he has moved up the ladder by going from Scarborough to Foxboro and from Foxboro and now to Monticello. His enjoyment of his job is apparent, and is the excitement that he generates in a race. He is looking forward to a long stay here, so long may the "Duke" reign at Monticello Raceway.

2:25 (that's two minutes, 25 seconds for the mile), 2:20, 2:15, 2:10, 2:05, and 2:00, as well as 1:55 and 1:50. And if you compare one gait against the other during the past twenty years, here's what you come up with: the pacers have recorded 236 miles with speeds of 1:55 or faster and the trotters have produced seven.

How come? Well, here are a few reasons: the pacer goes closer to the ground than does the trotter, consequently he lifts far less weight in going the mile. Then, too, the average trotter is shod heavier and often carries toe weights in addition to his shoes, while his diagonal gait necessitates more boots for protection unlike the pacer whose hind foot seldom strikes a front tendon, quarter or heel, and whose forefoot never touches a hind shin.

Sounds very technical, doesn't it? But all this extra equipment — boots, toe weights and such — means extra weight a horse must carry. More weight, less speed. Trotting is also a more difficult gait to sustain

while the pacer has the advantage of having hoppers — those side straps to help him stay on gait.

Pacers not only have the edge over trotters on speed, they are more consistently speedy. Rambling Willie, that darling of the race tracks for eleven seasons beginning in 1972, paced 79 two minute miles during his career. And Cam Fella, the 1983 Horse of the Year, produced 55 two minute miles in only three seasons of competition. Heaven knows how many he would have come up with if he were allowed to race as long as Willie did.

Meanwhile, over in the trotting horse camp, Greyhound is the leader in the two minute mile ranks. He had 25 in his seven year career. Then, of course, seasons were not as long in the 1930's and there weren't as many races in which to complete. Which brings us down to one final summation: It ain't whatcha do, it's the way howcha do it. And Mother Nature seems to have put the howcha in the pacers a little faster than she did the trotters.



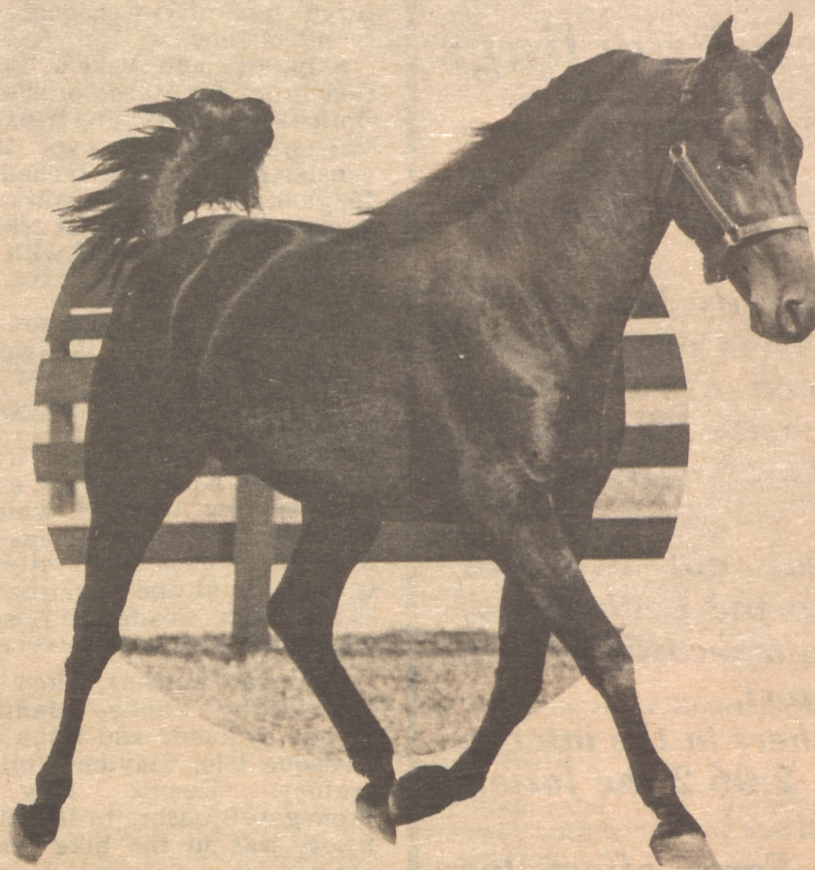
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Hey — how about a match race between the world champion trotter, Arndon, against the world champion pacer, Niatross? Wouldn't that be some race? Shivers your timbers just thinking about it!

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Stakes Engagements:

Pennsylvania Sire Stakes (Fair & Pari-Mutuel)

Plus: Adios, Breeders Filly Stakes

Gaines Memorial, Hanover Filly, Hanover-

Hempt And Lexington Filly Stakes

Name Of Horse: SCARLET BET

Color: Bay Sex: Filly

Date Foaled: 6-6-83 Gait: Pace

Sire: Scarlet Skipper

1st Dam: Favorite Bet By Adios Elmer

2nd Dam: Sugar Haven By Eddie Havens

Stakes Engagements:

Pennsylvania Sire Stakes (Fair & Pari-Mutuel)

Plus: Adios, Breeders Filly Stakes,

Gaines Memorial, Hanover Filly,

Hanover-Hempt And Lexington Filly Stakes

Name Of Horse: MOST HAPPY LISA

Color: Bay Sex: Filly

Date Foaled: 3-29-83 Gait: Pace

Sire: Committeeman

1st Dam: Most Happy Jill By Most Happy Fella

2nd Dam: Jillana By Shadow Wave

Stakes Engagements

Maryland Sire Stakes

Maryland Development Fund

Plus: Adios, American National

Arden Downs, Breeders Filly Stakes,

James B. Hanover Memorial Hanover-

Hempt, Historic Series And Lexington

Filly Stakes

Name Of Horse: ROBBIE'S SPEED

Color: Chestnut Sex: Colt

Date Foaled: 3-29-83 Gait: Pace

Sire: Stephen O.

1st Dam: Speedy Jill by Nansemond

2nd Dam: Jillana By ShadowWave

Stakes Engagements:

Maine And New England Eligible

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This year the two year old Fireglow Blackbyrd, who was sold to the Ledburys of Brunswick, Maine, paced to a record 2:03.4h in only his third lifetime start.

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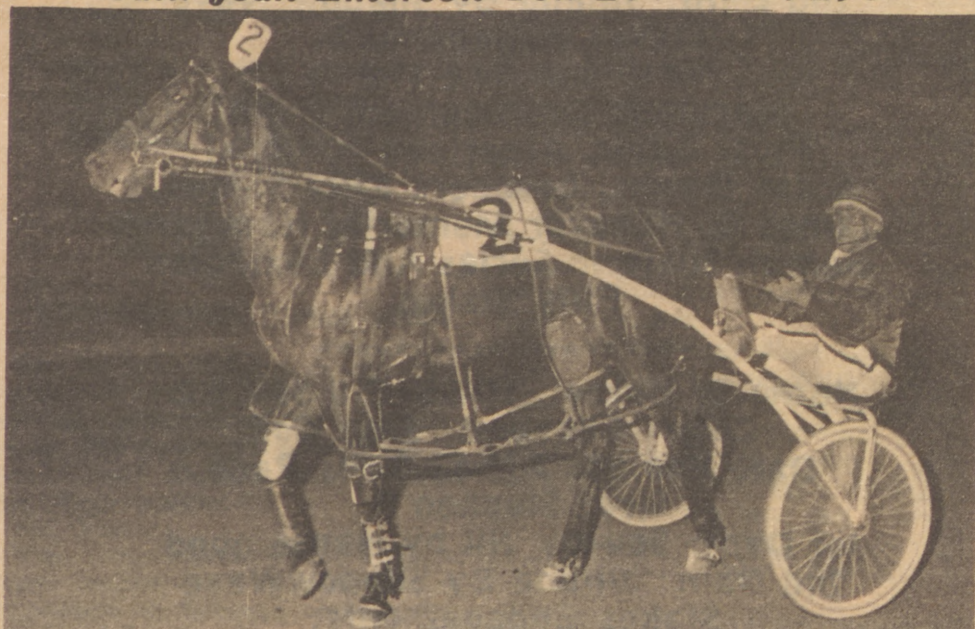
Pacers:

● **LIN'S TRAVELER** (Travelin Boy-Linda Sota) a half sister to Romie's Sota p. 2:01 who is presently racing at Foxboro.

● **SKIP'S KIM** (Skipper Glenn-Kim Lee) her sire is just now being recognized for his capability of producing speed.

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Donald Richards annexed his 3,000th win recently at Scarborough Downs with the classy filly Race Me April. Congrats! Donnie — Best of luck for many more!

The Maine Circuit

By LEE ALLEN

Skipperic, Stonegate Consort, Leigh Fitch and David Miller captured top Al-Var honors for the month of June.

Skipperic and Mike's Spirit battled it out for Pacer of the Month. Both had three winning trips with Al-Var speed ratings over 100. The consistent Skipperic turned in 106, 107 and 106 Al-Var miles for an average speed rating of 106. Mike's Spirit was close behind with 109, 106 and 101 for an average of 105.

A five-year-old gelded son of Adios Skipper, Skipperic is owned and trained by David Miller of Auburn. Leigh Fitch drove Skipperic to all three 100-plus ratings.

Stonegate Consort and Crane Hill Hoss were the top trotters, each with two winning trips in which they posted Al-Var speed ratings over 80. Stonegate Consort is Trotter of the Month with 91 and 88 ratings for an 89.5 average. Crane Hill Hoss had 88 and 84 ratings for an 86 average.

Stonegate Consort, a four-year-old stallion by Yankee Bambino, is owned by Linda and Dana Swett of Presque Isle. Clayton White is the trainer. Dennis May drove Stonegate Consort to his 91 rating. Swett was in the bike for the 88 rating.

Leigh Fitch continues to dominate the driving stats but he received stiff competition from Don Richards and John Nason during June. Fitch drove nine pacers to Al-Var marks over 100 during the month to earn Al-Var Driver of the Month honors once again.

Richards drove six pacers to ratings of 100 or higher while Nason did it five times.

David Miller was Al-Var Trainer of the Month as he had five pacers with ratings of 100 or better for winning trips. Richards was a close second with four.

The top performance of the month by a pacer was turned in by Broadway Premier, a 1:59.4 mile to win the \$8,000 Governor's Pace at Scarborough Downs on June 3. Driven by Peter Blood, the four-year-old son of Nero turned in a 123 Al-Var speed rating, the best of the season to date in Maine. The old season's record was 122 by Armbrado Blaze.

Broadway Premier turned back favorites Truman (Bucky Day) and Stabilizer (Walter Case Jr.) in winning the rich Governor's Pace.

Stonegate Consort had the top effort for a trotter with his 2:06.3 win June 6 at Scarborough. That produced a 91 Al-Var speed rating, well under the season's record of 105 which is held by B.B.'s High Note.

The top performances in June by youngsters both occurred on June 6 at Scarborough Downs. H.L.B., a Sonsam colt owned by Lawrence Kadish of Garden City, N.Y., set a new track record for three-year-olds with a 2:00.4 win for trainer-driver Don Richards.

Maine-bred Fireglow Black Byrd, a two-year-old son of Skipper Knox out of Contessa Teresa by Bye Bye Sam, was impressive in winning the \$1,500 Future Stars final in 2:03.4, posting an Al-Var speed rating of 101 in the process.

Fireglow Black Byrd now belongs to an elite class of pacers. Only the great ones produce Al-Var speed ratings of 100 or better as two-year-olds.

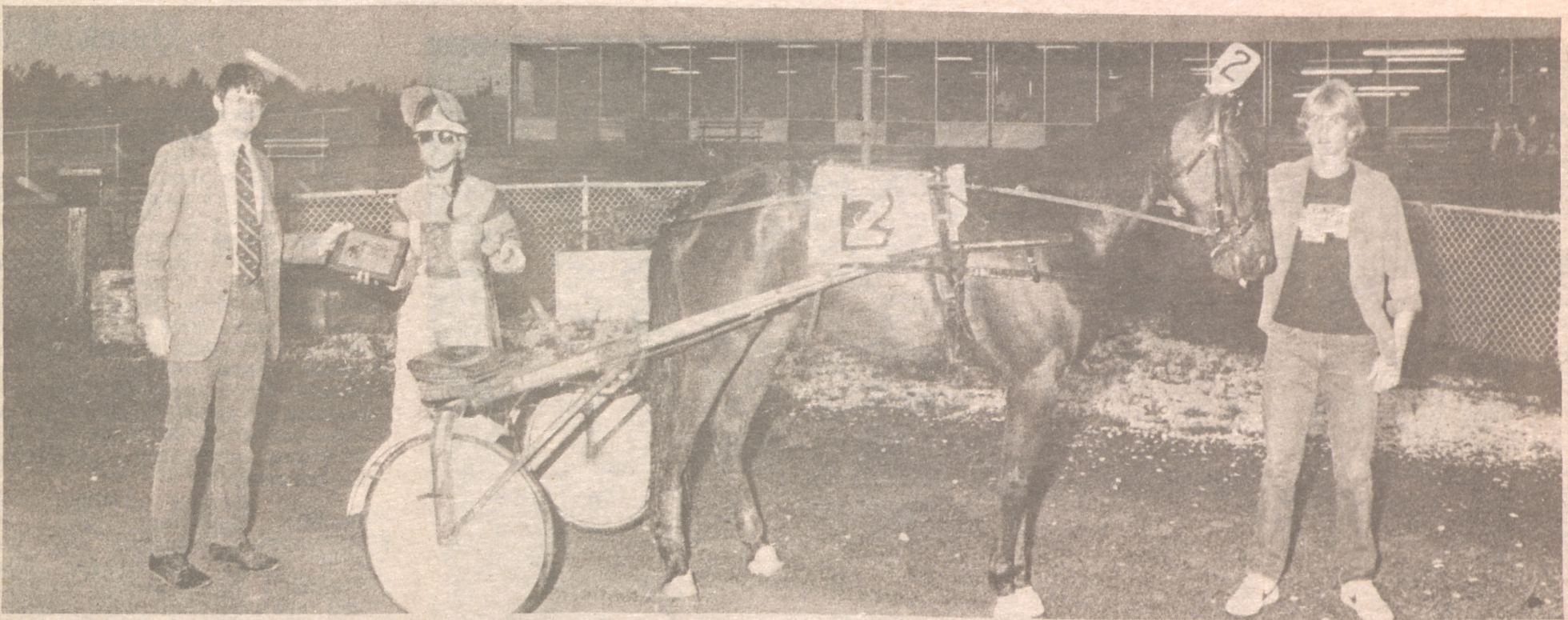
Following are the pacers that reached 100 or higher on the Al-Var speed scale, for a winning trip, between May 31 and June 27:

The Top 12

Broadway Premier, P. Blood	123	F.M. MeadowByrd, W. LaFreniere	102
Best Chris, L. Fitch	119	Artesian Prince, A. Gagnon	102
H.L.B., D. Richards	116	Race Me Aggie, W. Childs	102
Big Hugh, J. Nason	115	Pacealong Bert, J. Nason	102
Race Me Prince, W. Childs	113	Foxy Jac J. Ray	102
The Andover Story, D. Richards	112	Eastern's Best, D. Dickison	102
Maine Fella, J.P. Farrell	110	Chadour, W. Whittemore	102
Elite Lady, R. Wing Jr.	109	High Eagle, J. Nason	102
Mike's Spirit, D. Gray	109	Caravelle Sam, D. May	101
Big Hugh, J. Nason	108	K.W. Skipper, L. Fitch	101
Caravelle Sam, D. May	108	Mike's Spirit, D. Gray	101
Kreizer's Skater, L. Fitch	108	Squeaky Clean, B. Bernard	101

Best of the rest

Skipperic L. Fitch	107	Dodge A. Howie, W. Whittemore	101
Skipper Speed, R. Lanpher	107	F.W. Gigi, P. Battis	101
Swanzy Gus, T. Vanidestine	106	Fireglow Black Byrd, A. Nason	101
Golden Eclipse, R. Bartlett	106	Chadour, W. Whittemore	101
Skipperic, L. Fitch	106	Knee Boot, D. Goodblood	101
Mike's Spirit, D. Gray	106	Game L.S., D. Richards	100
Skipperic, L. Fitch	106	Our Little Ace, C.S. Smith	100
Fulla Chaos, P. Battis	105	Jessie Rich, D.T. Sumner	100
H.L.B., D. Richards	105	Swanzy Gus, F. Parker	100
Beloved Quest, K. Case	105	Craig's Call, R. Sumner	100
T.B.J., F. Woodbury	105	Uncle Drosselmier, D. Richards	100
Eustis, W. Colby	105	Ominous, D. Ingraham	100
Question Mark, L. Fitch	105	Craig's Call, R. Sumner	100
Jenny Collins, J. LaChance	104	Following are the trotters that reached 80 or higher on the Al-Var speed scale, for a winning trip, between May 31 and June 27:	
Count Fox, R. Maguire	104	Stonegate Consort, D. May	91
Valerie's Beanor, D. Ingraham	104	Crane Hill Hoss, D. Goodblood	88
Artesian Prince, A. Gagne	103	Stonegate Cosort, D. Swett	88
Girl Friday, D. Ingraham	103	Easter Cargo, R. Smith	86
The Andover Story, D. Richards	103	Archie Butler, G. D'Alfonso	86
Cherry Ridge, L. Fitch	103	Rachel Darlin, R. Doherty	85
Question Mark, L. Fitch	103	Lazy Hill Starlo, R. Hafford	85
High Eagle, J. Nason	102	Grandpa Harry, S. Brown	85
Meadow Rock, D. Gray	102	Crane Hill Hoss, D. Goodblood	84
G.T.'s Lookalike, D. Goodblood	102	Egyptian Dart, M. Graffam	84
		Grandpa Harry S. Brown	81
		Fire Island, W. Peace	80



Champagne Rain is presented a M.S.B.S. trophy after winning the two year old trot driven by Diane Brown for owners Joe Farrington and Martha Sugarman.

Cinderella Trotter

When the two year old Maine stakes trotters headed to post, and disappeared behind Scarborough's tote board, Loring Norton was confident his Watchful colts were ready. Hurricane Jeffrey, and Hurricane Peach already trotted in 2:17 and easily qualified. A third prospect, Hurricane Mike was a week away from the races. It looked like his stable was ready to knock off the division. There were echos of 1979. That year Star of Lov, Peaches Betsy and Hurricane Nippy all paraded in the Norton colors. Since then the trot divisions have belonged to Robert Knox. In succession, Knox has developed Knotch Hill Gamble, Knotch Hill Kevin, Knotch Hill Skipper, all juvenile stakes winners. This year his star is Knotch Hill April, prepped and ready to tackle the Norton juggernaut. Indeed, it seemed like the classiest group of Maine trained trotters ever assembled, ambled toward the starter.

But a deeper script was underway.

First some background... In Maine juvenile trotters develop gradually. Typically they race in July around 2:20, they drop a second or so each week. By late August they

travel miles in 2:12 or so. The division record of 2:10.3 was set by a hot Star of Lov under perfect October conditions. Even then some breeders were critical of the trip, for it demanded so much speed from the colt. It's been five years and that mark has not been threatened.

But no one told Joe Farrington about the unofficial Maine rules and customs. When he sent Champagne Rain to Maine she'd already trained down to 2:10, last half in 1:03. According to Farrington they sent her when it seemed obvious she would not do in the top trots in New Jersey.

Diane Browne an attractive twenty-four year old, part of Farrington's team, was selected to drive.

When the gates folded, the filly left from the rail and never looked back. Each Maine trained trotter challenged her once, and fell away. They all went beautifully, in fact five seconds faster than expected. They all finished in a pack, two lengths short of Champagne Rain.

It was a coup of the highest order. The clock stopped in 2:13.1 and Browne beamed in the winner's circle. It was not her first stakes win she explained. She drove in Penn-

Champagne Rain

sylvania and New Jersey, and followed both her father and brother into racing.

Despite the loss, Maine horsemen are lucky indeed. Flashy Finisher and Always a Star, two other colts owned by the same team of Joe Farrington and Marshal Sugarman, were (if the story is to be believed) given to the Amish this spring because they could only train down to 2:15! Last year trotting in 2:15 would have earned each between \$5,000 and \$10,000, and Champagne Rain in triplicate would have shut out Maine trainers entirely.

In Maine, trotters are just not rushed. At least they had never been rushed before the shock 1984.

Indeed there is as much Cinderella as Champagne in this story.

...Once upon a time Nine Months, a promising but troubled New Jersey bred trotting filly was sent to Maine to bring her back to condition. She adjusted well enough to the change, but when Nine Months returned to New Jersey she did not race. She returned in foal to Mountain Exec, a stallion with Jersey connections standing at John Mollison's farm in Brooks Maine, one fence away from Nine

By ANTHONY J. ALIBERTI

Months. In due course she delivered her only foal, Champagne Rain.

From that inadvertant beginning popped the stakes "surprise package."

Farrington from Massachusetts was all smiles in the winner's circle. He had never competed in a program quite like this. In the paddock Robert Knox had already introduced himself. "If we're going to compete all summer, might as well be friends", Knox told Farrington. Then all day people kept congratulating Farrington. Neither Browne nor Farrington were aware of the giants they slew that afternoon.

The team is now anticipating the Maine fair circuit. Diane Brown in the bike-Farrington in the winner's circle, and Ms. Sugarman flying up from New Jersey to see as many races as she can.

The Maine Stakes is hardly the Grand Circuit, but judging from all the smiles and genuine warm feelings there remains much more sport to racing in Maine than in New Jersey. Despite all evidence to the contrary the headlines, the statistics, and the balance sheets, money isn't everything.

Harness Drivers Statistics By ROBERT LOWELL

With the 1984 harness racing to Florida's Pompano Park in season past the half and heading into December.

Through the 1983 season, Fitch was ranked 57th on the all-time list with 2,201 winners.

The top ten in North America looks like this: O'Donnell 273; Campbell, 247; LaChance, 232; Abbatiello, 190; Irvine, (unreported); Parker, 162; Gale, 158; Turquotte, 156; Fitch 153; and Marsh, 152.

Other Maine based drivers with national ranking in the top fifty include Dude Goodblood placed 39th with 98 wins and Bob Sumner 50th with 88. Walter Case, Jr., campaigning at the Meadowlands is currently 25th with 113 victories and a U.D.R.S. of .234 in 874 starts.

Billy O'Donnell is set on another record shattering course with \$3,360,982 in purse earnings followed by John Campbell with \$3,046,000. Case is eighth with purses totaled \$1,315,447.

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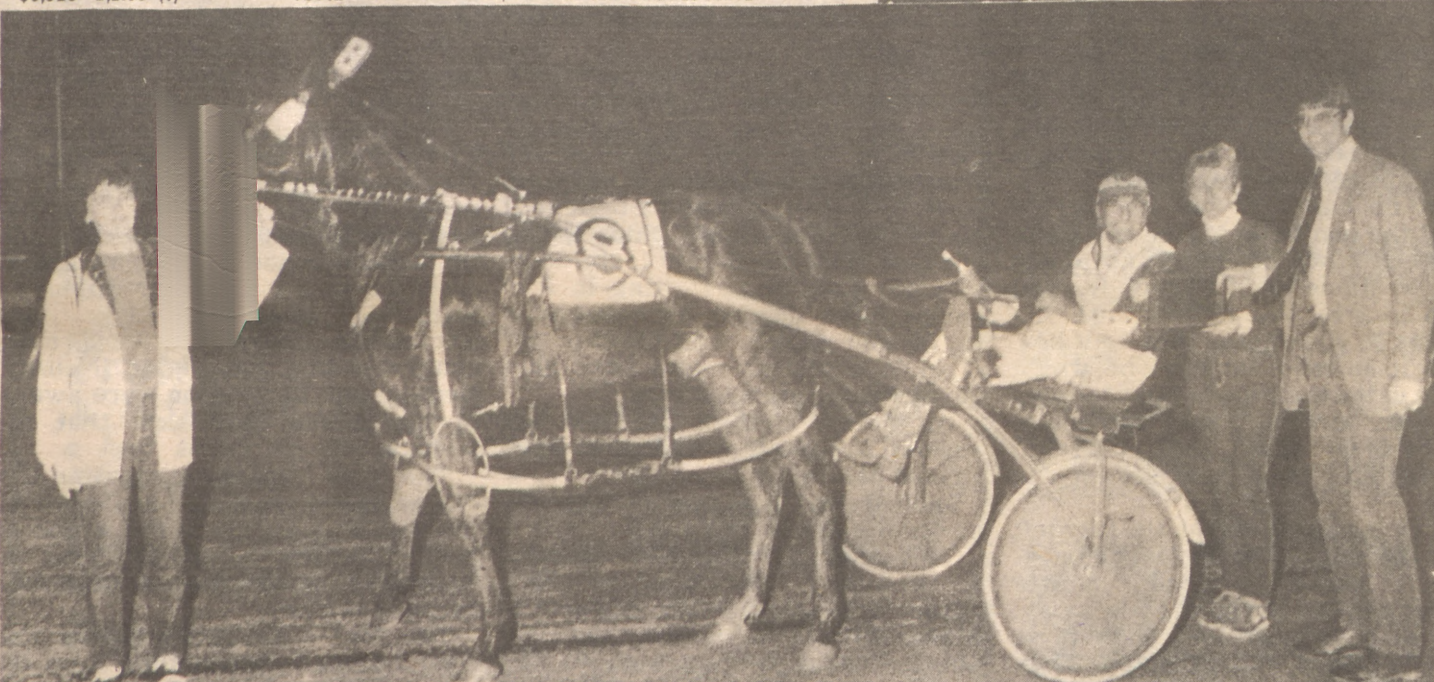


TRUSTY STAR

\$6,326—2,2:05 3/4

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br c, 3, by Trusty Dream—Flying Minnie K. by Flying Bret
Catherine Smith, Lewis Anderson & Barry E. Howell, Maine
Driver-KELLY CASE, 6-21-62—CARDINAL RED-WHITE

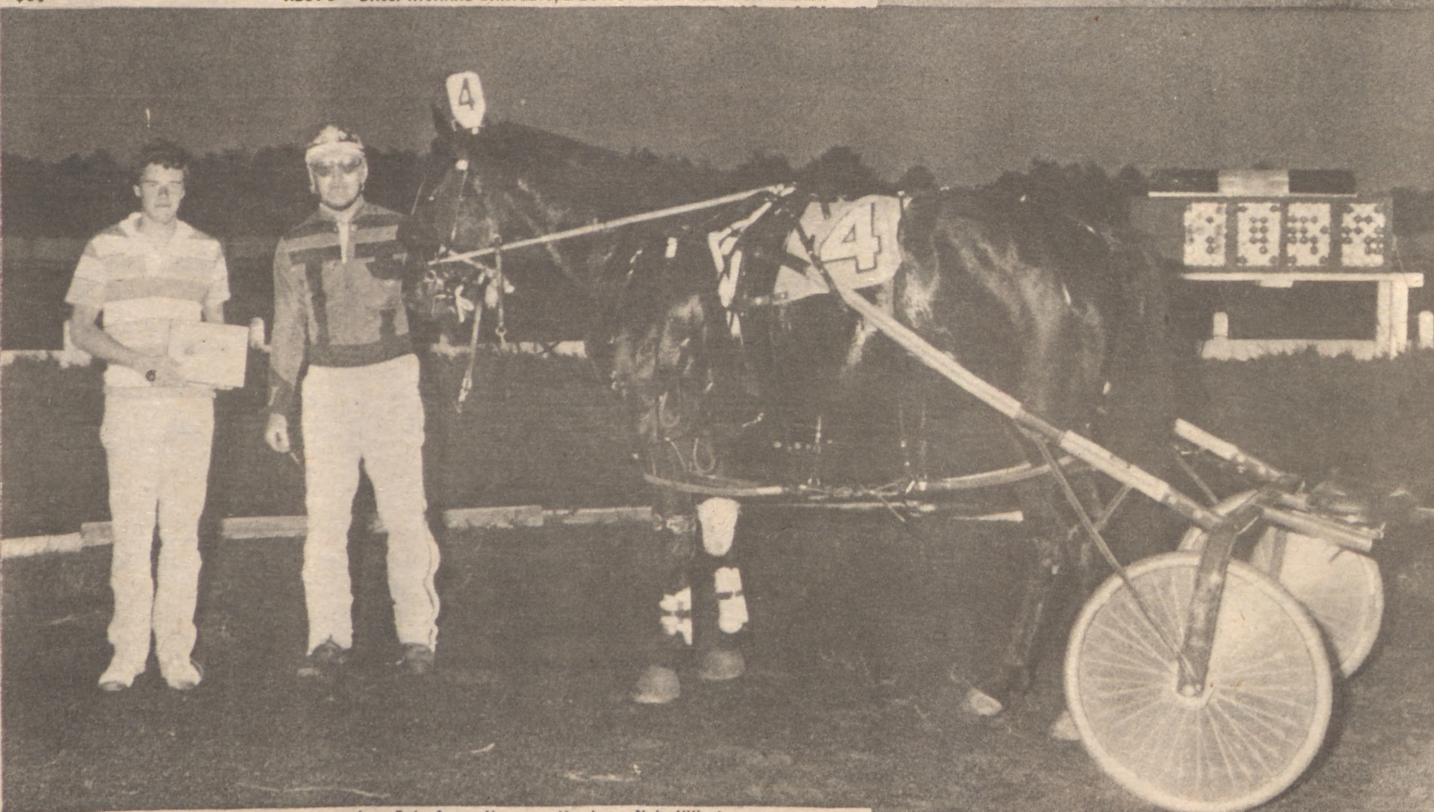


NEW YORK BOUND

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AB375

b c, 2, by Golden Play Boy—Maggie T. by Meadow Lands
Josette A. Bartlett, Augusta, Maine
Driver-RICHARD BARTLETT, 2-23-40—SCAR. RED-WHITE-BLACK



PACEALONG BERT

\$8,259—2,2:07 2

4131Z

br c, 3, by Ammo Hanover—Hurricane N. by Hillsota
Arthur G. Nason, Freedom, N.H.
Driver-JOHN NASON, 2-13-56—BLUE-RED

Improved weather and fast colts produced one of the quickest weeks in the history of the Maine Stakes.

Kelly Case and Diane Browne combined for a pair of distaff wins. Case, Walter's younger sister, turned Trusty Star loose down the backstretch and overhauled pacesetters and eventually stablemate Trusty Blaze in the deep stretch for a 2:02.2 score. Trusty Blaze was easily second. He continues to round into form after a two month rest. In April The Blaze was beating the likes of Hobo's Willy and other Sagamore Hill colts, now back in Maine he's facing a stiff Maine Stakes group.

Diane Browne doubled with Marsha Sugarman and Joe Farrington's Mountain Exec two year trotter, Champagne Rain. Though a shower slowed the track and four other colts were clustered around the winner at the wire, it was all smiles for Brown, again.

In the fastest filly race since Luck's Lazy Lady's track score at Skowhegan in 1982, Greenie D. Joelle made the top and never



First Leg Scarborough Downs July 4, 5, 6, 1984

Two-Year-Old Trotters				
Horse	Driver	Time	Fn	Earn
Champagne Rain	(D.Brn)	2:13.1	1	1157
Classy Clarence			2	578
Knotch Hill April			3	277
Hurricane Peach			4	184
Hurricane Jeffrey			515	1
				2311

Two-Year-Old Pacing Colts				
Horse	Driver	Time	Fn	Earn
Fireglow Black Byrd	(A.Nsn)	2:06.4	1	1843
Trusty Wise Guy			2	921
Gaelic Admiral			3	442
New York Bound			4	94
Lite Me's Security			5	184
				3684

Two-Year-Old Fillies				
Horse	Driver	Time	Fn	Earn
Gaelic Nemesis	(L.Fch)	2:12.4	1	1968
Little Old Buz			2	984
Oak Ridge Marge			3	472
Deerful			4	314
Romie's Trudy			5	196
				3934

Three-Year-Old Trotters				
Horse	Driver	Time	Fn	Earn
Andy's Lou	(D.Rds)	2:15.3	1	2272
Knotch Hill Skipper			2	1136
Allen's Choice			3	554
Boat Captain			4	363
Westridge Helen			5	227
				4552

Three-Year-Old Pacing Colts				
Horse	Driver	Time	Fn	Earn
Pacealong Bert	(J.Nsn)	2:03.2	1	2072
Trusty Blaze			2	1036
Trusty Star			3	496
Chinbro Philro			4	331
Gaelic Blazon			5	207
				4142

Three-Year-Old Pacing Fillies				
Horse	Driver	Time	Fn	Earn
Say Louise	(L.Ftc)	2:06.3	1	2552
Bonney Eagle			2	1276
Invisible Threat			3	612
Windsock Lucky			4	408
Mary's Pilot			5	255
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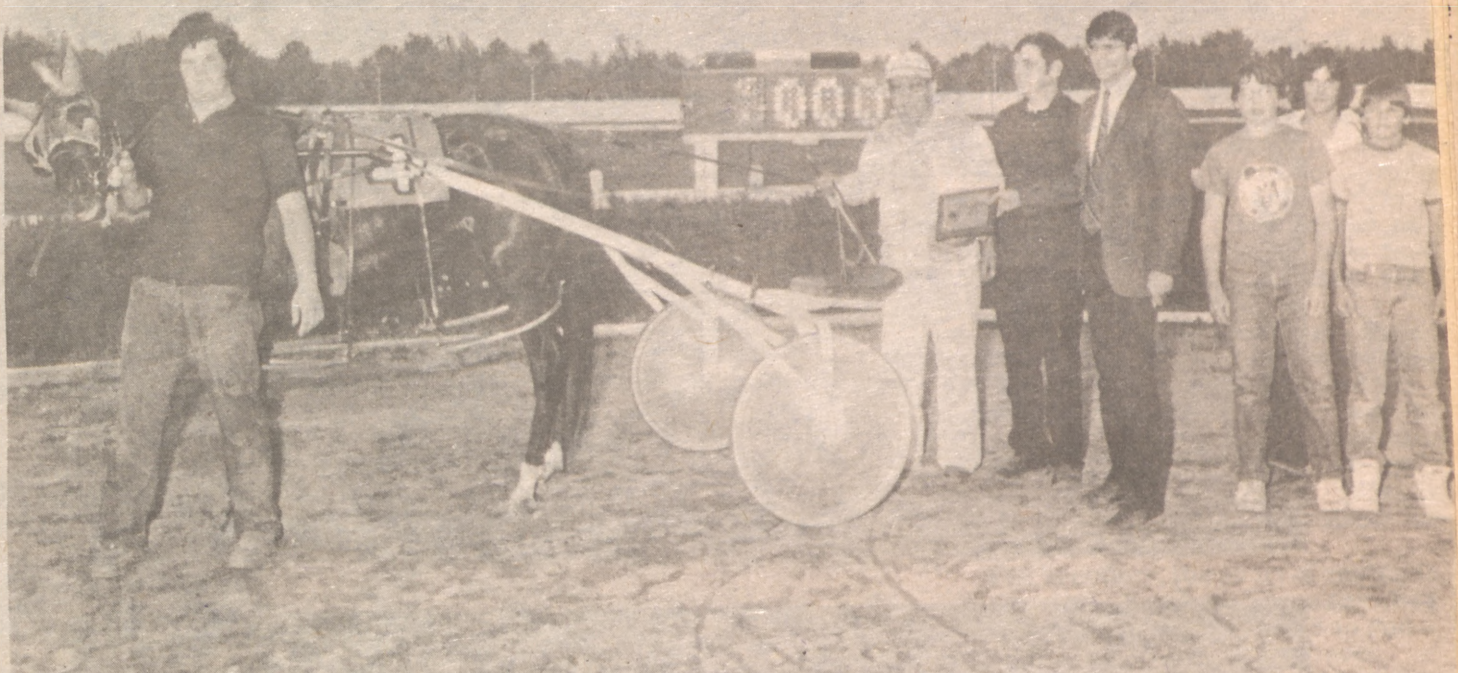
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looked back in 2:03.1 for A.J. Galant, Leigh Fitch did everything but carry Say Louise, last week's winner, to the wire, but Joelle was not to be caught this night.

When Fireglow Black Byrd was scratched from the two year old colt division it was very colt for himself. Around the final turn Dick Bartlett engaged New York Bound to draw clear, but in deep stretch Gaelic Admiral closed stoutly. Bartlett hung on for the win, Leigh Fitch said his colt was slipping the backside, but caught hold at the head of the stretch for his run at Bartlett. Trusty Wise Guy was third.

It was no surprise when Don Richards kept Andy's Lou among the pack of three year old trotters. Late in the mile he pulled Bob Allen's son of Watchful and brushed past the field. It was an encore of last week's win.

Maine Stakes move to historic Bass Park in Bangor, now celebrating its 100th year. Skowhegan Raceway follows as the fair season in Maine begins.



GREENIE D. JOELLE

\$2,443-2,2:15³

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blk f, 3, by Greenie D. Joey—Can Tar Patsy by Chris Scott
Mitchell J. Gallant, Bangor, Maine
Driver-A. J. GALLANT, 3-2-32—BLUE-WHITE



ANDY'S LOU

\$00—

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b g, 3, by Watchful—Battle Charge by Dasher Hanover
Robert D. Allen, Cumberland, Maine
Driver-DONALD RICHARDS, 3-26-33—ORANGE-BLACK

Second Leg Scarborough Downs, July 11, 12, 13,

Two-Year-Old Trotters

Champagne Rain	(D.Brnl) 2:19.1	1	1094
Hurricane Peach		2	547
Classy Clarence		3	262
Knotch Hill April		4	175
Hurricane Jeffrey		5	109
			2187

Two-Year-Old Pacing Colts

New York Bound	(R.Btl) 2:11.0	1	1785
Gaelic Admiral		2	892
Trusty Wise Guy		3	428
Travelin Shoes		4	285
Romie's Pet		5	0
			3390

Two-Year-Old Pacing Fillies

Gaelic Nemesis	(L.Ftc) 2:07.3	1	1843
Deerful		2	921
Oak Ridge Marge		3	442
Trusty Bunny		4	294
Little Old Buz		5	184
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Three-Year-Old Trotters

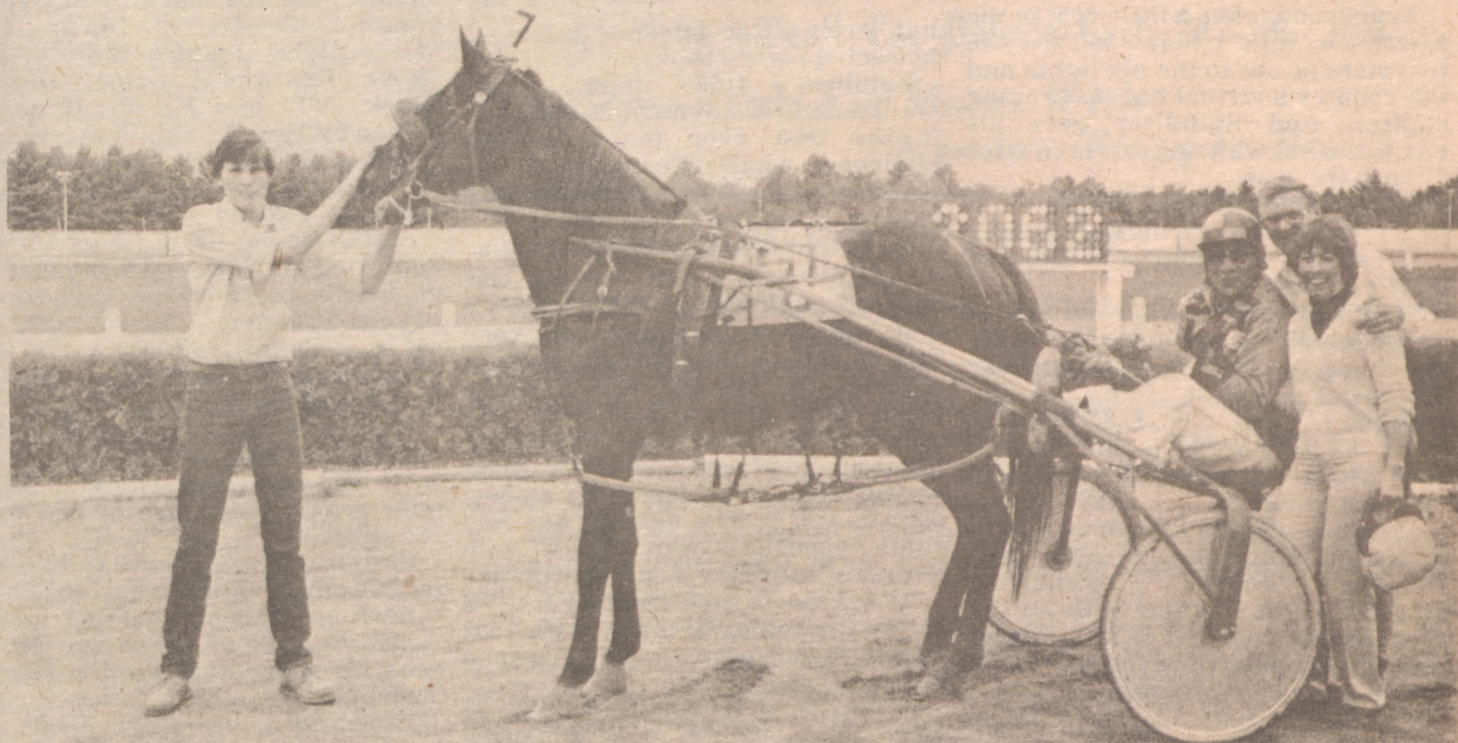
Horse	Driver	Time	Fin	Earn
Andy's Lou	(D.Rds)	2:09.3	1	1792
Allen's Choice			2	896
Knotch Hill Skipper			3	430
Boat Captain			4	286
Jim's Choice			5	179
				3583

Three-Year-Old Pacing Colts

Trusty Star	(K.Cse) 2:02.2	1	2472
Trusty Blaze		2	1236
Game L.S.		3	593
Windsock Smoker		4	395
Gaelic Blazon		247	2
			4943

Three-Year-Old Pacing Fillies

Greenie D Joelle	(A.Gal) 2:03.1	1	2392
Say Louise		2	1196
Bonney Eagle		3	574
Mary's Pilot		4	382
Emmatrude		5	239
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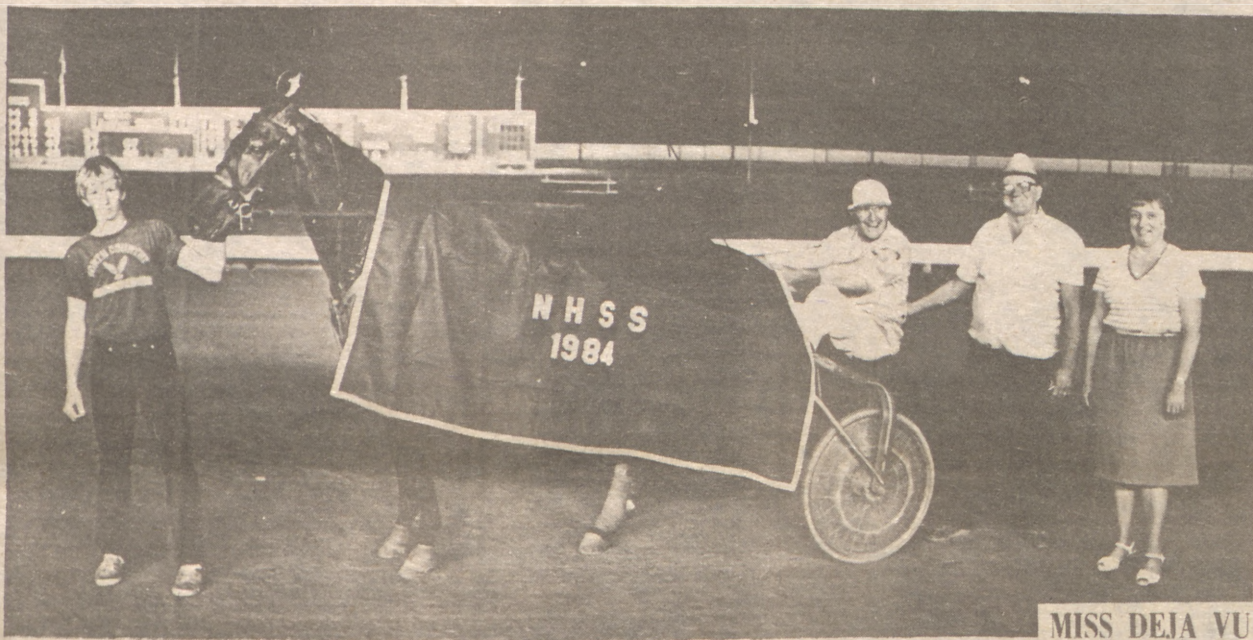
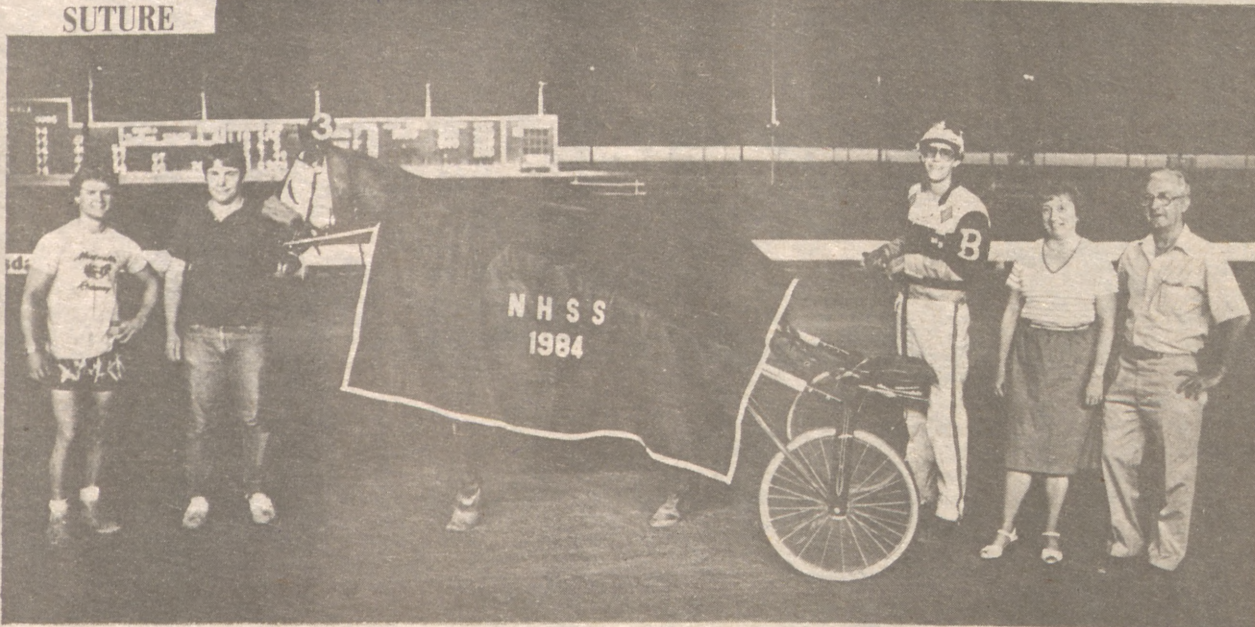


FIREGLOW BLACK BYRD

blk c, 2, by Skipper Knox—Contessa Teresa by Bye Bye Sam
Anne C. & Donald F. Ledbury, Brunswick, Maine

NEW HAMPSHIRE SIRE STAKES

SUTURE



The Annual New Hampshire Sire Stakes series got underway last weekend at Hinsdale. Top granite state bred freshman and sophomores took to the track on Friday, July 13th and Saturday, July 14th. The Stakes, always a favorite with the fans, provided some top quality races for the enthusiastic weekend crowds.

The kickoff, an early non-betting event on Friday night sent 5, 2-year old trotters to post for a purse of \$1650. Dark Island Lad went wire to wire to win in a time of 2:13. The gelding sired by Blitzzen is owned by E. Maconnel and W. Brevelari of MA, and was driven by Andrei Guidette. Riv-Lea Snowflake, with Francis Raia was second and Right On Target was third for driver Bob Lefebvre.

Friday nights 5th race, the 2-year old filly pacer division, was contested for a purse of \$2300. Riv-Lea Powder with Maines Doug Gray in the bike left quickly and held on for a wire to wire 2:09.2 win. The daughter of Big Power made it her second win in as many starts and ropped a full second off her best time to date for owner Arthur Streich of Ct. Tom McNamara drove Amy Mac to a second place finish and Roma Leen with Doug Mitchell finished third.

The Colts and geldings took over in Fridays 9th race and it was no surprise when Mr. Scotty Mac, heavily foavored, posted the series third wire to wire win. The freshman colt sired by Most Happy Prince, cut the mile on route to a 2:10.4 win for owner Bill McNamara and driver Tom McNamara. Res Judicata was second for Ray Barnes, and Riv-Lea Roma finished third in the four horse field for driver John Farrell. The Colt pace carried a purse of \$2300.

In Saturdays action, the 3 yr. old trotters started with a non-betting event at 7:30. Rambling Count trotted to a victory in 2:13.1. Rambling Count is owned by Elton Bridge of Rutland, VT. and was driven by Hinsdale veteran Clyde Mattison. Rambling Puddin another Clyde Mattison entry was second and Clyde's wife Kathy handled the reins. Dedes Blitzzy with Ed Gilman rounded out the top three.

In Saturdays 5th race the 3-year old racing filly event (purse \$2196.00), heavily favored Jumpin Judo broke after the start and could only manage a 4th place finish for driver Joe Clohossey. Miss Dejavu was urged on in the stretch by young driver Mark Beckwith and posted a 1 length victory in 2:05.1, owned by Deana Frost of Middlebury, MA. The 3-year old is a daughter of top sire Coral Ridge. Scarlet Ridge with Ed Gilman was second and aswanzey Jude with Bob Lefebvre was third.

Saturdays 10th race sire stakes event, tested the talent of 3-year old colts and geldings as they competed for the \$3,214.00 purse. The race favorite, Foxy Jac driven by James Ray finished second after his constant lead was overtaken in the home stretch by Suture with driver Stanwood Churchill. Suture, also owned by Stan Churchill, paced the Hinsdale mile in a brisk 2:02.1, paying \$39.00 to win. Finishing third was JS Ridge with Bill Silk behind the reins.

If opening weekend is any indication, harness buffs from central New England can expect to see some great racing in future weeks.

Hinsdale News

HINSDALE, NH — The trips have become almost routine for Alan Armstrong and Stabilizer.

They leave Windham, NH early in the morning and check into the Meadowlands, the huge racing layout within sight of Manhattan but resting over in New Jersey.

Armstrong takes a little rest in the afternoon and that night the travelers go out to the big lights and the country's virtual harness racing capital. And Stabilizer gets his chance to go, with ace driver Walter Case in the seat.

The New Hampshire racing team is over one more night in Jersey and early next morning is beating traffic back to Windham.

Stabilizer is a five-year-old gelded pacer who'll be one of the star attractions in the New Hampshire Sweepstakes Gold Cup, an invitational pace for \$28,000 here Aug. 12. The purse is the biggest ever offered at Hinsdale, the field the most glittering.

"Right now I'd say the ones to beat would be Stabilizer, Truman and Waverly Nero," Armstrong predicts. He is familiar with all the pacers in the field. Race Sec. Danny Septelka has invited seven so far and is holding fire on an eighth.

Stabilizer seems to be one of those beautiful finds in the world of harness racing.

"I got him for \$17,000 at the Old Glory Sales at Yonkers. I liked his confirmation and breeding."

Stabilizer In Gold Cup

So far, Stabilizer has raised a tidy \$335,000 for Armstrong.

"Best horse you ever had?" someone asked.

"By far," he laughed.

Armstrong is prodest of the fact that Stabilizer holds a world record. Not many harness horses can say that, even in the intricate world of the racing record book.

Stabilizer's 1:58.4 mark set at Freehold in New Jersey, still stands as the best ever for 2-year-old geldings on a half mile track.

And in the brisk Meadowlands warfare, Stabilizer has gone 1:54.4 three or four times, Armstrong says.

"Stabilizer is a bay — a big horse," says its owner. "He's like a dog," marvels Armstrong. "I keep him up here on the farm and jog him myself." Armstrong does a rough count and figures Stabilizer has about 16 lifetime wins. The other night at the Meadowlands the Armstrong horse was fourth in a race won in 1:54.2. The gelding has had some especially hot duels with Truman, one of the Gold Cup rivals.

"But I like to race around here. I'd rather race at Scarborough for \$6,000 than go after \$20,000 at a bigger track."

Stabilizer is in the first crop of BG's Bunny and is a New Jersey breadhorse. Armstrong has had horses run at Hinsdale like Stephen Lobell and Most Happy Drilla, who had a 2:03 here a few years back.

Like other owners from around New England invited for the big Hinsdale race, Armstrong is enthusiastic about the event. "It gives the people a chance to see some fast horses," he says.

The Gold Cup promises to be a virtual New England all-star pacing game, with Trusty Blaze from Maine, John Hogan's Hillbilly Ore (MA), Dr. Albert Grass' Deacon Black (VT) and Ensign Hanover, driven by Tom McNamara (NH).

But Stabilizer, the bargain Armstrong picked up at Yonkers, rates the early favorite.

Stabilizer got in the record books Sept. 12, 1981, with Ted Wing driving at Freehold. Only two 2-year-olds have gone faster.

No doubt about it, the Meadowlands gets the harness horses and the times to match.

"It's a mile track," Armstrong reminds. "You save time on the turns and when they get to the three-quarter pole they start the run down the stretch."

Stabilizer has proved he can handle everything from the half-milers up. And you get the feeling Armstrong wouldn't be startled to see his baby win on the Maine Turnpike.

Hopefully, the Gold Cup will produce a sub-2 minute mile for Hinsdale. "For \$28,000, they'll be going after it," says Armstrong, who predicts something in the range of 1:57.



Jack Hargett and Kat's Meow at Hinsdale Raceway.

Hinsdale, NH — Jack Hargett used to work in an iron mine in upstate New York. He drove a payloader bucket down two miles and a half, with a foot clearance on either side.

Now he trains and drives harness horses and finds it better, a lot better. Hargett, a husky, pleasant 37 year-old from Mineville, NY, has 15 horses racing at Hinsdale and, getting to the end of June, was No. 3 dash winner and No. 3 trainer, behind Larry Garwood and Tom McNamara.

Hargett was 18 when he drove the payloader. The mine has been idle since 1969 and is now filling up with rainwater.

But Hargett's life in harness racing goes on — at the Matinee Club back home of which he is president, at Hinsdale, at the New York and Vermont fairs and at Saratoga.

On a recent June evening Hargett and Garwood, known as the Kentucky Colonel, stood by a stall eyeing Willie Winner. Hargett had just bought the 7-year-old gelding from Garwood and would race him later that night.

"I got him for a man up in New York," Hargett explained. "I had been looking for just the right horse for him. I told Larry, 'Heck, I wouldn't claim him or anything like that. But it's a nice little horse.' And Garwood said, 'I'll sell him to you. A nice little horse.'"

On the day he and Garwood checked out Willie Winner, Hargett had 10 wins. "Got a little better stock this year," he offered. For sure, Hargett has had some nice horses in his time.

"The first good horse I had was Darcy H, owned by the Wisknowski family from Burlington, VT. A nice trotting filly who went 10 for 18 as a 2-year-old and 19 for 21 and a 3-year-old in the New York-Vermont Colt Stakes and the Mass. Sires Stakes."

Like many veteran horsemen, Hargett has an eye for trotters. "The money's there with them. You can practically set your own price. A lot depends on the shoeing and how you hang 'em (use equipment and

headgear). And you can't be heavy-handed."

Hargett's hands seemed heavy enough, but a comparison check proved his fingers are relatively short for a man of his size. He has the touch trotters love.

Hinsdale's harness GM, Tom Shehan, points out that some able pace drivers can't do the job with trotters. "Some are just too heavy-handed — tearing at a trotter's mouth all the time."

These days Hargett is trying another kind of skill with Marguerite Aaron, a pacing mare he has just bought. "She was mistreated and sour," says Hargett. "I'm letting my wife and kids work with her, trying to bring her back."

The Hargett family gets going at 6 every morning. For the kids it's a working vacation.

"The horses — we have four trotters and 11 pacers — who need to be jogged. My wife, Patricia, takes care of the harness and everyone has a job — Timothy, who is 16, Michelle, 15, and Jack Jr., 13. Tim is a promising football standout for Moriah High School, 35 miles south of Plattsburgh, NY."

Jack and Patricia Hargett slept in the stalls back in their early days, like back in Rutland around 1970.

"Joker Art was the first horse I rode for money," he remembers.

"Art was my father's name, Joker the name of the mine he worked in."

Hargett seems on the way to his best campaign in his three years at Hinsdale. "The people are super here," he says. "The kids get a vacation. And I really like it here."

Sergi Pride, Speedy Overtrick, and Persian Ross and Hilty Dilty, a pair of trotters, are among the better horses in Hargett's stable.

"Hilty Dilty is a well-bred 3-year-old trotter, a super little filly," says Hargett.

"The Kat's Meow is the toughest. She never quits. She outgrits them."

Hargett didn't say so, but you had the feeling that the Kat's Meow might be the kind of horse that would go two and a half miles into the mine, a foot of clearance on either side, and not blink an eye.

Broodmare Of The Month Banbury Blackbyrd

By ANTHONY J. ALIBERTI

1969 was a watershed year for racing. While Laverne Hanover, Tar Heel's greatest son, zipped around the Delaware, Ohio oval Jug day, aged performers Rum Customer and Fulla Napoleon ripped new records at the downstate New York tracks.

In July when the early closers began at Vernon, Columbia George and Truluck won on either side of 2:00. The first in 1:59.4 showing Most Happy Fella the way, the second in 2:00.1. Two days later Winged Beat demolished Armbro Kerry, Precious Newport, Touch of Spring and Betty Hanover in 2:01.2. The classy daughter of Bye Bye Byrd had a

right to be fast. Her dam, a daughter of Hoot Mon, was bred and named Winged Foot by the resident of New Canaan Ct., and golf enthusiast, Norman Woolworth. The family remains replete with winners, at both gaits.

Winged Byrd was bred to second tier stallions, first Tarport Count, then Fulla Napoleon and most recently High Ideal and Precious Fella, Precious Newport's best known son.

Fulla Napoleon was a half mile terror, and top aged campaigner, but in the breeding shed though he had a propensity to produce sons of worth, (he has sired seventy two in 2:00

including such grand circuit performer Momentum), his fillies couldn't be given away. In the most recent reporting period, of his thirty seven new and reduced standard record performers all by one are male.

But an equine generation later a second jury convenes. Now it looks like Fulla Napoleon mares may redeem themselves in the breeding shed.

It was hardly a surprise that

Banbury Black Byrd, a Fulla Napoleon daughter of Winged Byrd could earn a three year old mark of only 2:08.1. She was offered cheap. But unlike other daughters of Fulla Napoleon, she drew a comfortable home, and her second chance.

She is the kind of mare Marilyn Branagan uses to build her farm. The family is aristocratic, indeed the dam is a genuine dragonslayer, and throughout the spreading branches of the pedigree tree 2:00 performers hang like so many ripe apples.

Branagan raced Banbury Black Byrd down to 2:05, a remarkable feat in and of itself, then retired her.

Her first breeding choice was to Nevele Pilot, another blueblooded cull, and produced the '84 two year old Gaelic Brogue. That filly is already qualified and poised to contest the Maine stakes.

For breeders, the sport of racing is no sprint. Marilyn Branagan has proven she is well prepared to run a marathon with her mares if necessary. The major farms (with the singular exception of Almahurst) afford few indulgences with less prominent sirelines. They purge less fashionable mares in late fall dispersals sales, like so many out of style dresses on a rack.

But in the backwater estuaries, the true racing families are often preserved and reconstructed. Branagan unshamedly promotes Banbury Black Byrd as a mare with the credentials to produce early speed, and she's right.

An Ohio a full sister to the dam was bred to Pickwick Baron in place of Fulla Napoleon. She hit with a pair of 2:00 colts immediately. The third was Vandelerio, a speedball Dick Bartlett unleashed earlier this year in Maine, now nearing that marker himself at Monticello.

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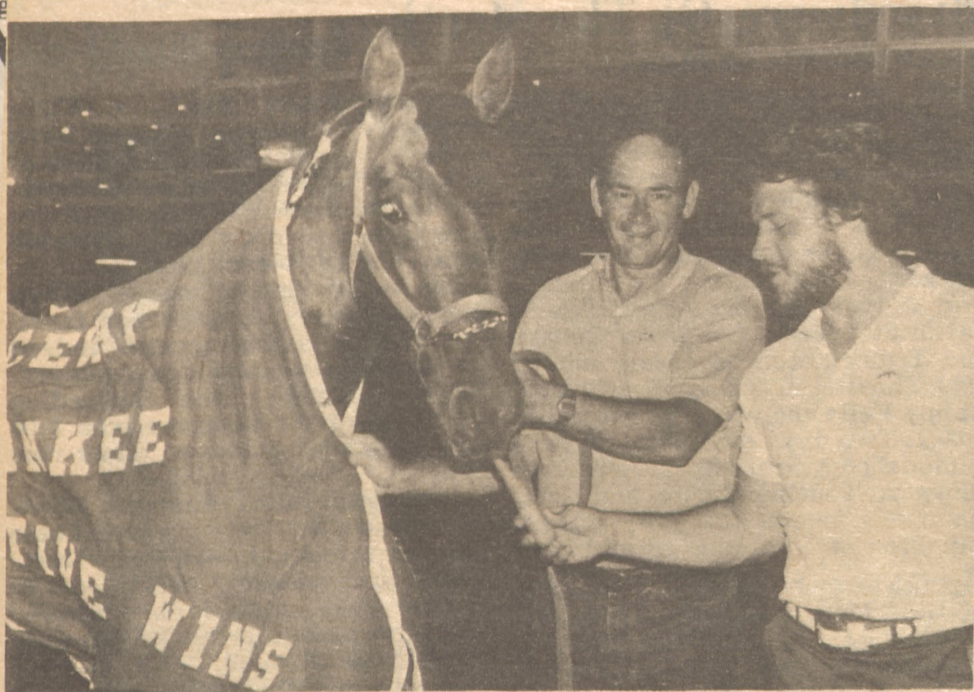
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ON THE RAIL by PHIL PINES

If they had let him be, Smuggler would have been a dandy pacer. He was a natural. But pacers, in 1874, were about as popular as ants at a picnic and so his trainer-driver Charles Marvin did what any red-blooded American boy would have done: he put two-pound horse shoes on Smuggler's front feet and, presto, the pacer became a trotter.

What's so earth shattering about this news? Well, it made a champ out of Smuggler, a genuine sports hero. People literally looked up to this pacer-turned-trotter because his likeness began to appear on roof tops across America. Smuggler weathervanes became as popular as apple pie at picnics (And you know how popular THEY can be!)

What turned an ordinary, garden variety horse into an overnight sensation was the \$10,000 stallion race held at Boston's Mystic Park. Trotting was America's first national sport and every town of any size had its own harness track in those days. Boston's biggie was Mystic Park in suburban Medford and one-tenth the population of the greater Boston area trekked to the track that day to catch the action.

The "Daily Advertiser" described the xodus:

"Teams of horses began to pour out of the city as early as noon — a steady stream of them lasting until three in the afternoon. The roads had not been watered and a cloud of dust covered the riders like a fog. Not a hack in the city, not a horse, not a conveyance, not a carriage of any kind could be hired in the afternoon, and even a funeral would have to be postponed."

Sounded like the subway systems leading into Yankee Stadium on a World Series day!

It was estimated that 3,000 carriages went over Winter Hill that September 15. The railroad trains were packed. Three extra trains, each of them jammed with 2,000 people, were added to the railroad's schedule. Race track management constructed an auxiliary grandstand capable of seating 6,000. They were so squeezed a flea would have had difficulty finding room. Two or three thousand stools were plunked down

wherever space could be found. And people promptly plopped down on them. Carriages lined both sides of the track and when all heads were counted there were 40,000 spectators squeezed together in Mystic Park to watch Smuggler trot off with the ten thousand big ones.

Lithographers rushed back to their presses and quickly produced Smuggler prints which were sold for three or four dollars a couple of days later. The weathervane makers, Harris and Cushing, added Smuggler models to their catalog. It was easy to pick out Smuggler. He was the one with the heavy front feet.

Just about everything you've ever wanted to know about the history of New Zealand Trotting — and then some — is to be found in this entertaining, richly illustrated volume of almost 400 pages. It is the product of 5 years of research and chronological organizing by the well known New Zealand harness writer, Ron Bisman.

Wanganui seems to have been New Zealand's Goshen, New York. It was there, in the 1870's, that the military, having becalmed the restless natives, used its well-bred cavalry steeds for trotting-to-saddle racing. The primitive "conditions" were long distance match races over rocky roads. A notable match during that time involved one Tom Hammond who claimed to have a mare that could cover 15 miles in less than an hour. Arriving at the halfway point, "he quaffed a shady and pressed on." (A shandy, we've discovered, is a mixture of beer and ginger ale). The quaffing of this strange mixture seems to have worked for rider Hammond, for he won the match, covering the 16 miles in 55 1/2 minutes.

These rugged beginnings led to the first full-scale meeting of the Wanganui Trotting Club in 1881, and the book colorfully chronicles the sport's rapid rise thereafter. There were periodic setbacks. The author notes that in the 1950's, for example, New Zealand harness racing was saved from economic calamity by the American market for New Zealand-bred harness horses.

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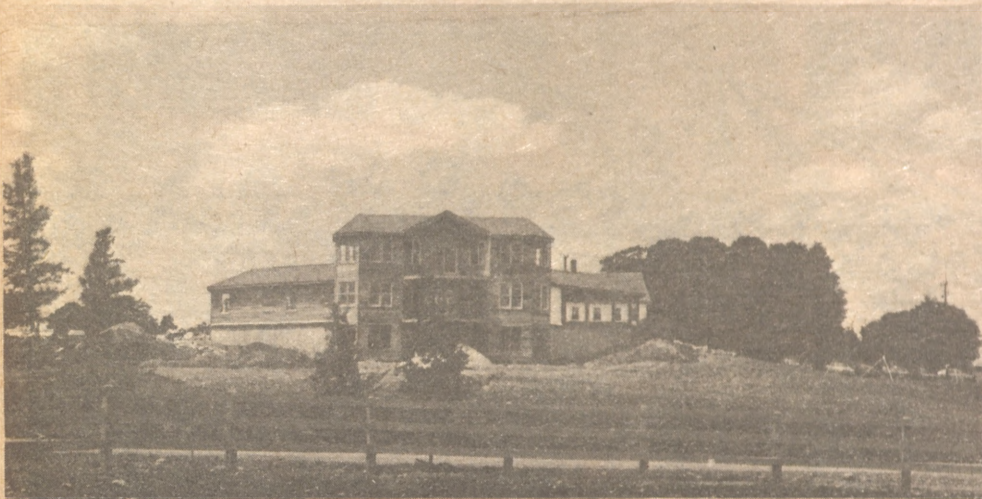
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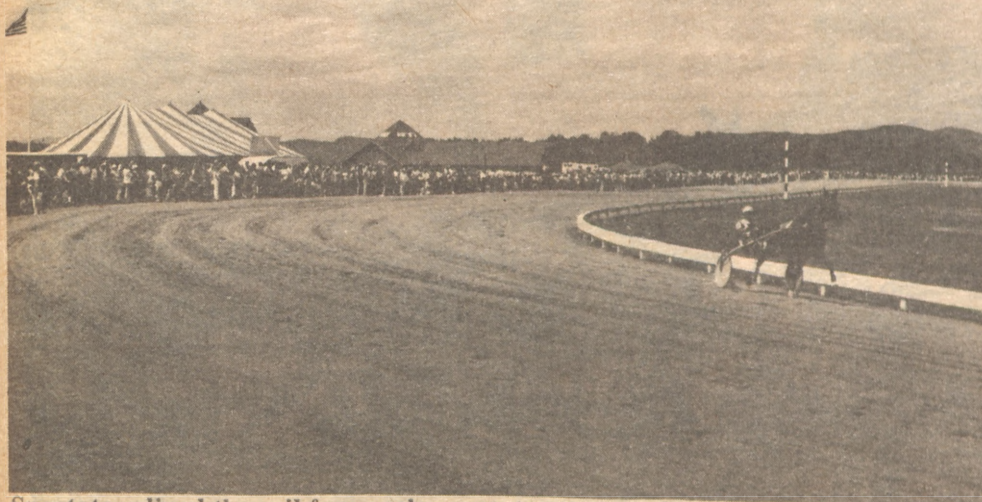
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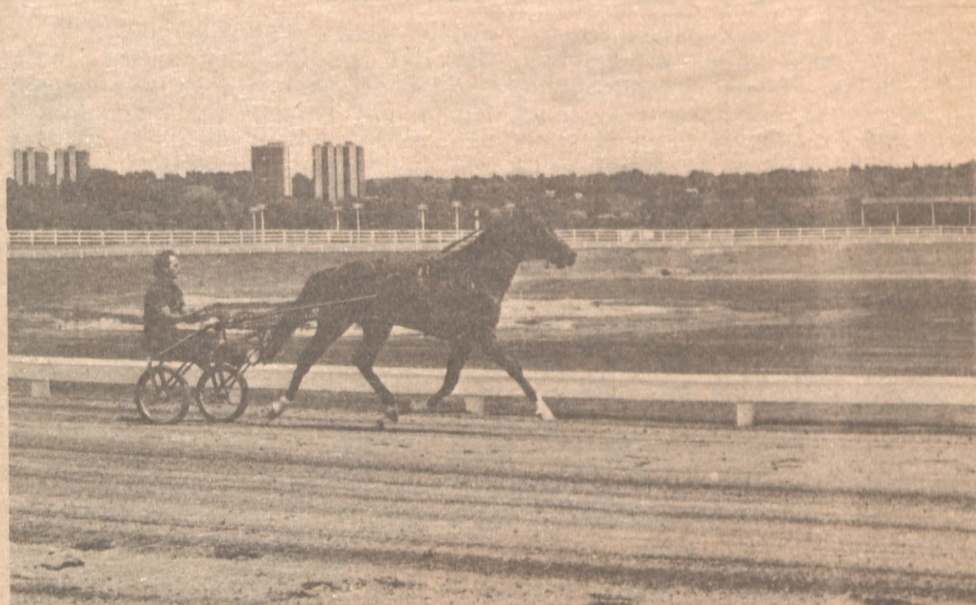
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Young Meadow Open House

By JEAN EMERSON

As the song goes "I wouldn't have missed it for the world!" This was the consensus of opinion of the thousands of people that thronged the spacious two hundred acre new breeding and training facility at Hadley, Mass.

After a week of torrential rains, owners William and Mary Young, assisted by farm manager, Ernie Houle pulled off the impossible. They hosted an open house at their breath-takingly beautiful Young Meadow Farm and simultaneously conducted the first Mass. Sire Stakes Fair Meet.

As if it were a sign from above, the skies cleared on July 8th and the sun

broke through the clouds. Young Meadow Farm did not disappoint their guests, it was all the brochures claimed — and more! It even seemed as if the little town of Hadley had joined in the celebration. It was reflected on the faces and in the comments at local restaurants and gas stations. What a positive note when starting in a business that is presently be-set by trials and tribulations. The Young Meadow Farm entourage deserves a hearty "WELL DONE"!

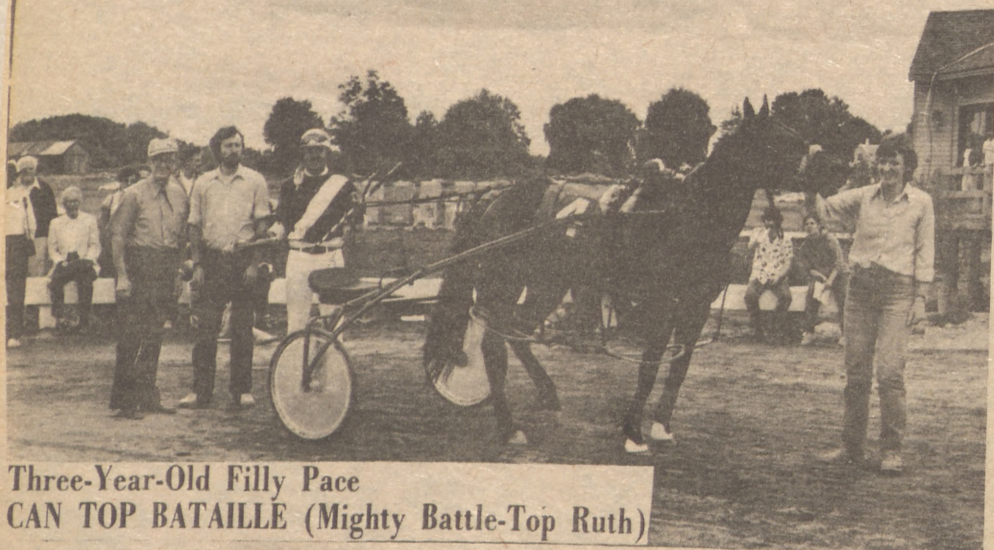
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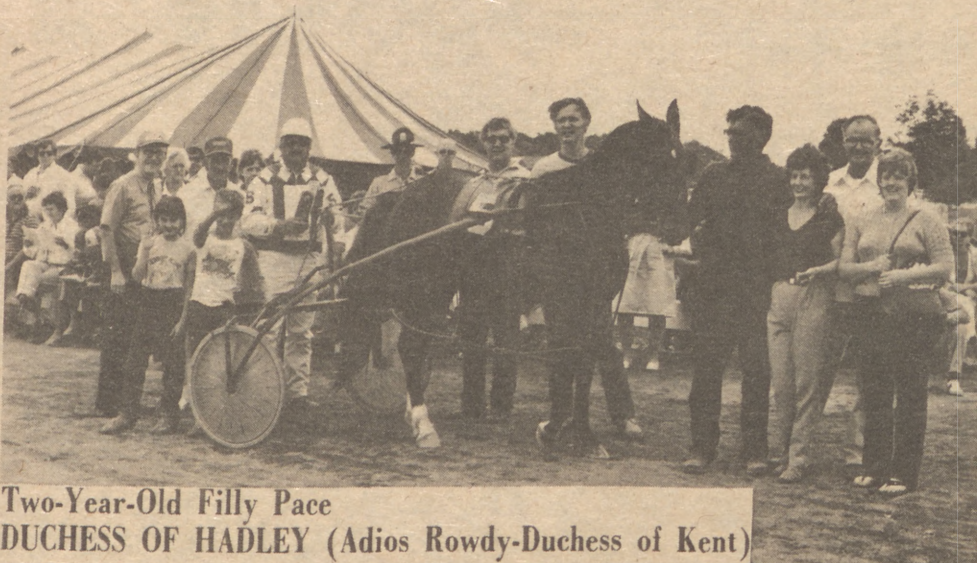
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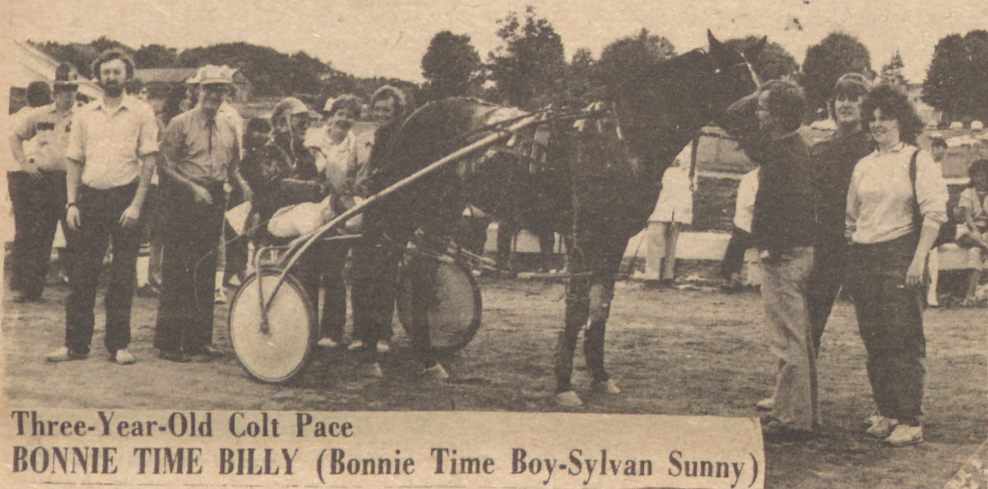
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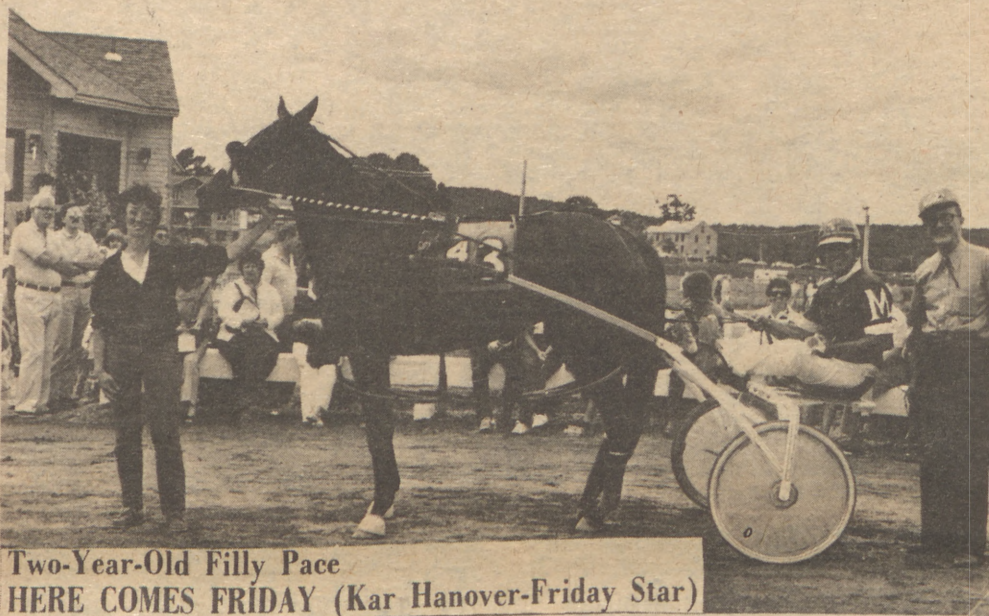
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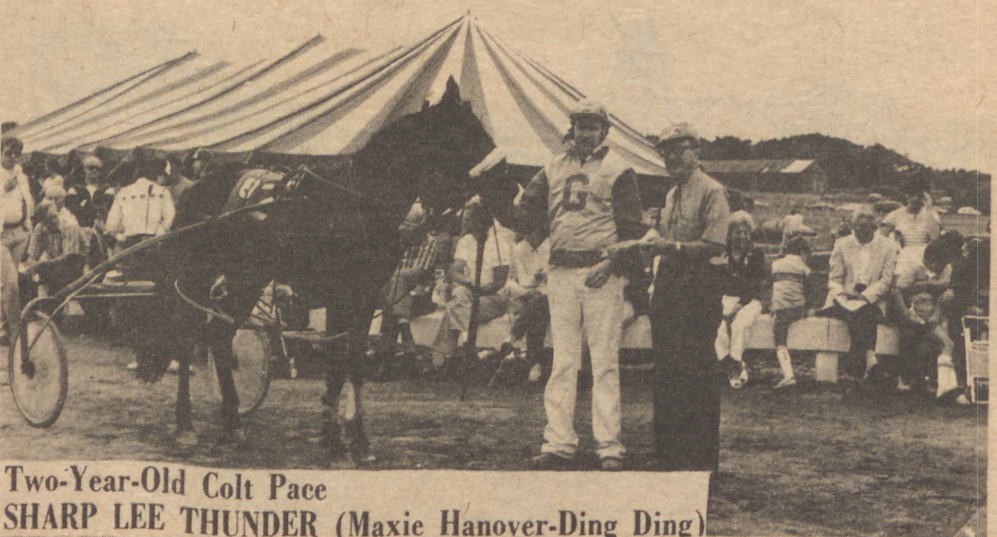
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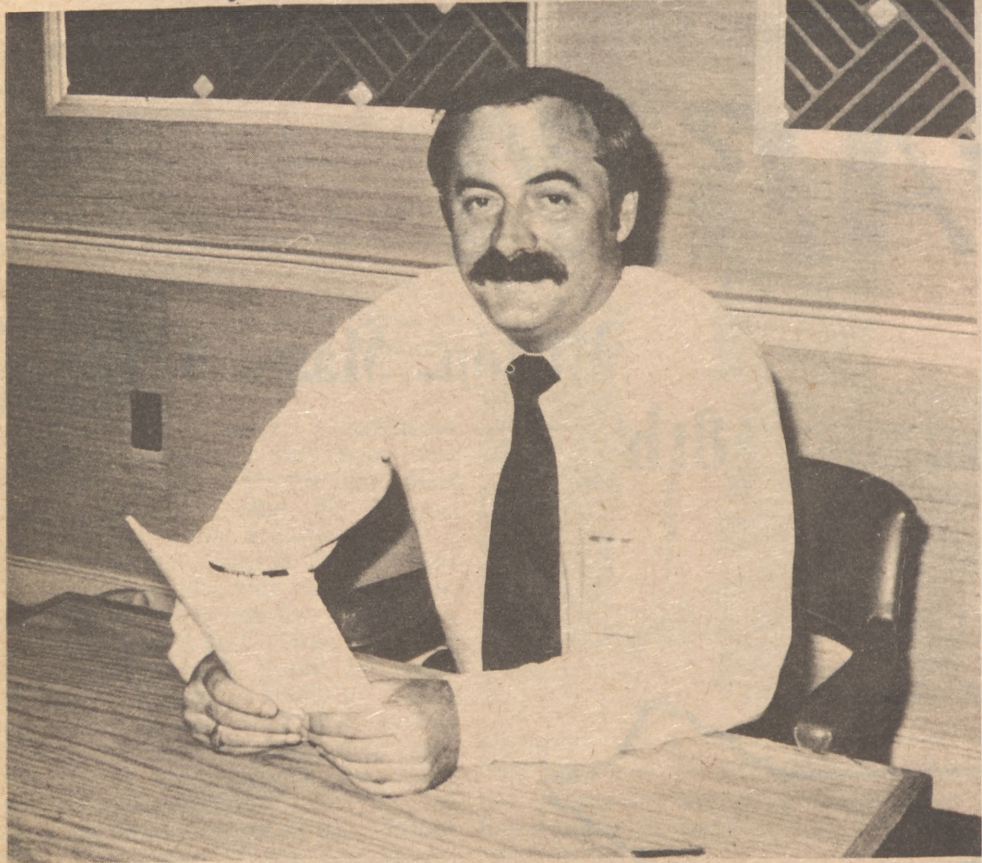
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"I've been on the race track all my life," states Rick Stroud, Foxboro Raceway's new Racing Secretary. You might say that the 36-year-old Stroud came out of the cradle with his feet in the stirrups. By age six, Stroud was already galloping horses. You see, Rick's dad, Len Stroud, was quite a jockey in his day. The elder Stroud went on to train thoroughbred horses; he later organized both the Canadian and American Jockey Guilds.

The Canadian-born Stroud followed his dad's racing travels throughout Canada and the United States. Winters were spent in either Florida or New Orleans, summers meant racing in Illinois. In the late 40's, Len Stroud raced here in New England, in Rhode Island, at Narragansett Park and Lincoln Downs.

By the time Rick graduated from high school (he didn't spend more than one year at any one school because of his father's travels), he was already training thoroughbreds. At the time, Rick received a call from Bill Weinberg, owner of Portland Meadows, a thoroughbred track in Portland, Oregon. Weinberg gave Stroud his first official job in racing, working in the racing office as an entry clerk. On days the track didn't take entries, Stroud served as a clocker, timing the morning workouts. Evenings, he worked as a steward's aide; he also filled in as patrol judge.

In addition to serving as an official at Portland Meadows, Stroud branches out to become racing secretary for thoroughbreds, quarter horses, and appaloosas on the Oregon fair circuit. However, one day, a few years later, just as Stroud's racing career was really taking shape, he was drafted into the U.S. Army. Stroud's induction notice put on hold his promising career in racing, as Rick puts it, "just when things were starting to roll pretty good."

Stroud spent one year at Ft. Ord and one year in Viet Nam. From January, 1969 to January, 1970, Stroud saw action in the jungle near the Cambodian border as a member of a recon. platoon. Stroud was wounded in Viet Nam and spent one month in the hospital. Although Rick modestly prefers to concentrate on his racing career, he did receive various medals for bravery in Viet Nam, including the Purple Heart.

By 1970, having returned from Viet Nam, Stroud returned to Portland Meadows to pick up where he left off with his racing career. Upon his return, Rick served in many capacities at Portland Meadows. He was an assistant racing secretary, identifier, paddock judge, and patrol judge. Unfortunately, in the summer of 1970, the grandstand at Portland Meadows burned down.

Temporarily out of a job, Stroud received a call from a small thoroughbred and quarter horse back in South Dakota across the river from Sioux City, Iowa called Park Jefferson. Stroud worked there throughout the summer as identifier, quarter orse racing secretary, and steward.

A short time later, Stroud got a call from the late Harry Hatch to come out to Sacramento, California to work at a brand new harness racing meet. Rick accepted. He started out working as patrol judge and helping out in the racing office. However, two days into the meet, the assistant racing secretary took ill; Rick assumed those duties as well.

From 1971 to 1979, Stroud worked as an official with the California harness racing circuit. He would travel from Sacramento to Hollywood Park to Bay Meadows and then to Los Alamitos and finally back to Sacramento. From 1975 to 1979 Stroud served as racing secretary at Bay Meadows and Sacramento and assistant racing secretary at Los Alamitos and Hollywood Park.

In 1979, Stroud was contacted by Larry Casavant, now with Roosevelt Raceway, but then the general manager of Quad Cities Downs. Casavant asked Rick if he would be interested in filling the position of racing secretary at Quad Cities. At first Stroud was a little hesitant to leave California, but a deal was struck and Stroud headed east to assume his new duties.

After three years as racing secretary at Quad Cities, Stroud received yet another call, this one was from Stan Bergstein telling Rick of the plans for Foxboro Raceway. Stroud was later contacted by Tim Rooney, president of Yonkers Raceway and by Bob Galterio, the men responsible for running Foxboro Raceway for the Sullivan family, owners of the New England Patriots football team. Messrs. Rooney and Galterio also impressed Stroud with the plans for Foxboro Raceway. The three men came to an agreement and Stroud was hired as Foxboro Raceway's new racing secretary.

Stroud is very enthused about coming to Foxboro Raceway. Stroud refers to the New England area as "probably one of the nicest areas I've ever been too," and he adds, "I've been all over the country."

Rick Stroud, Foxboro Raceway's new Racing Secretary, has travelled far and wide, from Canada to Florida, to Illinois and California, the Midwest, and now New England. Those who've met Rick are hoping h is traveling days have ended and that he'll be a fixture here at Foxboro Raceway for many years to come.

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		PACE	TIME	DATE
AGE/SEX	NAME			
2-COLT	WILLIAMSBURG ONE		2:03	6/12
2-FILLY	WITSEND BUNNY		2:04.2	5/17
3-COLT	GOVERNOR ARTHUR		1:57.1	6/8
3-FILLY	BRETTA FLIGHT		2:00.4	5/13
3-GELDING	FEATURE STAR		2:01.1	4/28
4-MARE	SINAMON BREEZE		2:01	5/6
4-HORSE	BROADWAY PREMIER		1:58.3	5/13
4-GELDING	WINDFIELD ORE		1:59.1	4/22
AGED MARE	JOLLY CRICKET		2:00	5/19
AGED HORSE	OUTER SEA		1:56.4	5/6
AGED GELDING	ENSIGN O'BRIEN		1:58.2	4/1
		TROT		
3-COLT	BAMBINO WRANGLER		2:03.1	4/27
3-GELDING	KING THOR		2:04.2	5/10
4-MARE	QUICK TRIP		2:01.1	4/20
4-GELDING	HICKORY DOC		2:06.2	5/28
4-HORSE	BLACK WALT		2:07	3/15
AGED MARE	THE LIVELY ONE		2:01	6/15
AGED HORSE	RAMBLIN BAMBINO		2:03	5/17
AGED GELDING	HOUBARA		2:03.1	5/18

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Who Finished Second In The Recent Mass. Sire Stakes Conducted At Young Meadow Farm.

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(Purchased As A Yearling From This Sale Last Year!)

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By K.C. JOHNSON

The current meet at Foxboro has produced some of the best young talent in recent memory. Several have paced at or near the 2:00 level thus far, and several more should in the near future.

At the forefront of this parade of young horses has been the Young Meadow Farm and its trainer/driver, Ernie Houle. They have developed three solid fillies at the spring/summer meet at Foxboro while raising other good young horses elsewhere.

Tickle My Fancy (Lightning Strikes-Comedienne) has been the top Young Meadow Farm filly. Just a two-year-old, Tickle My Fancy recorded two wins, a second, and a third in just four starts. In her last Foxboro start, she was victorious in 2:04 coming from off the pace in a last half of 1:00 flat. That mile set the seasonal track mark for two-year-old fillies. Having also recorded a second in 2:02.4, Tickle My Fancy has been shipped to Ohio to race in that state's lucrative Sires' Stakes program.

Roman Maud (Roman Key-Maud Knight) was one of the top Mass. Sires' Stakes pacers last year, winning four while earning \$11,226 and a mark of 2:05.2. She developed a blood problem earlier this year, however, and was disappointing in the preliminary Mass. Stakes legs at Foxboro. The problem has now been cleared up, and Roman Maud should be strong in a division noted for its inconsistency.

Like all Young Meadow Farm horses, Whitsend's Sandy (Most Happy Fella — Sable Almahurst) is extremely well-bred. Purchased by Houle primarily as a broodmare, he is hoping to get a mark of 2:05 for



Wicomico Star driven by Bruce Ranger won three legs and the final of the Silk Stockings following this the Big Towner filly placed in the Pennsylvania Sire Stakes for owners Mike Weiner and Jeff Brudnick.

her before the breeding season. She has been third and fourth in her first two starts.

But there are other stables racing young horses at Foxboro besides Young Meadow Farm. The most notable of these is the Bert Beckwith Stable, which has three promising young colts.

Centre Ice (Jade Prince-Jeanne Rick) perhaps has the most potential. Owned by Lawrence Kadish of Old Westbury, New York, Centre Ice first got to the races as a two-year-old at Scarborough. Driven by Don Richards, he took his two-year-old mark of 2:06.2 there. As a three-year-old, Centre Ice has notched two victories, both on the

front end. The most impressive of these was a 2:02 win over Bestido.

Another Kadish-owned entry is Late Knight Oil (Oil Burner-Ann Knight), which Beckwith has developed exclusively. In his first five lifetime starts, he has not finished out of the top three, recording a win, two seconds, and two thirds. His mark of 2:04 was taken in a maiden event. Late Knight Oil has sown improvement with each start, and should be tough during the summer months.

Another Beckwith youngster racing well is Latch On Champ (Bret's Cham-Lachenson). Owned by Beckwith, Chazy Associates, and the Red Coat Stable, Latch On

Champ has already earned over \$11,000 flifetime. Although yet to win, he has recorded six seconds and two thirds during the past two years.

Obviously, several Mass. Sires' Stakes horses are among the top young horses now at Foxboro. Among the colts, Ralston's Elmer G. (Wendell Donaway) and Feature Star (Peter Blood) rank among New England's Best. The speediest of the fillies is Wynn's Mabel By (Dan Tuccillo).

Racing fans will be able to see these young horses both on the fair

circuit for the stakes horses and in the Foxboro Late Closing Series' for the non-stakes horses.

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